

# Cluster of Vancomycin Resistant Enterococci cases in Tseung Kwan O Hospital

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

Regarding a male patient who was confirmed as a Vancomycin Resistant Enterococci (VRE) carrier on April 16, the spokesperson for Tseung Kwan O Hospital made the following announcement today (April 23):

In accordance with the prevailing infection control guidelines, the hospital has performed contact tracing and three more male patients aged from 66 to 85 were confirmed as VRE carriers. One of the contacts passed away due to his underlying illness. The first patient and the other two carriers are still hospitalised under isolation. Their clinical condition is stable.

The hospital will continue the enhanced infection control measures and closely monitor the situation of the ward. The cases have been reported to the Hospital Authority Head Office and the Centre for Health Protection for necessary follow-up.