

## HA announces passing away of two COVID-19 patients

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The Hospital Authority spokesperson today (January 28) announced that two patients confirmed with COVID-19 infection passed away at public hospitals today.

A 47-year-old male patient (case number: 8452) with chronic illness attended the Accident and Emergency Department of Kwong Wah Hospital (KWH) on December 23 last year due to shortness of breath. He was admitted to the isolation ward for treatment and later tested positive for COVID-19. After treatment, the patient's antibodies tested positive for COVID-19. His condition continued to deteriorate and he eventually succumbed at 8.32am today.

In addition, a 66-year-old male patient (case number: 7259) with chronic illness was transferred to United Christian Hospital from a quarantine centre on December 10. His condition continued to deteriorate and he eventually succumbed at 12.16pm today.

The hospitals are saddened by the passing away of the patients and will offer the necessary assistance to their families.

The deceased patient with a preliminary positive result yesterday (January 27) at KWH has been confirmed as infected (case number: 10291). Including the two above-mentioned patients, 172 COVID-19 confirmed patients have passed away in public hospitals so far.