Hospital Authority announces a blood reagent product recall incident

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesperson for Hospital Authority today (May 31) announces a blood reagent product recall incident:

Hospital Authority (HA) received notification from the Department of Health that a medical device manufacturer Bio-Rad has recalled two batches of blood reagent. It is suspected that the two batches of blood reagent may give false negative result of anti-Mia antibodies during red blood cell antibodies screening.

HA has informed the Red Cross Blood Transfusion Service and all hospital blood banks to suspend using the concerned reagent, as well as to trace the location of the potential affected blood products. As the BTS also provides blood products to private hospitals, HA will liaise closely with the Department of Health and private hospitals to follow up.

In general, patient may not necessarily have adverse transfusion effect after receiving the potential affected blood product. HA will investigate if any patients have received the potential affected blood product and their conditions will be closely monitored.

The information of the two batches of blood reagent are as follows:

Bio-Rad
ID-DiaCell I-II-III Asia
ID number: 45330
Reference number: 003614
IHD Batch numbers: 45330 52 1 and 45330 52 2
SAP Batch numbers: 375053521 and 378425522