Hospital Authority announces positive patient cases detected via admission screening or testing and clusters of nosocomial COVID-19 infections

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The Hospital Authority today (July 14) announced information regarding patients who tested positive via admission screening or testing with patients or staff members identified as close contacts and nosocomial COVID-19 infection cases.

The following are the statistics of patients who tested positive via admission screening or by testing in public hospitals with patients or staff members identified as close contacts:

Hospital/clinic	Number of patients who tested positive	Number of patients identified as close contacts	Number of staff members without appropriate personal protective equipment identified as close contacts
Queen Elizabeth Hospital	1	1	—
Princess Margaret Hospital	2	3	—
Alice Ho Miu Ling Nethersole Hospital	1	2	—
Tai Po Hospital	1	3	—

In addition, a female patient of a palliative care ward of Hong Kong Buddhist Hospital tested positive for COVID-19 on July 13. She was transferred to Queen Elizabeth Hospital under isolation treatment. The hospital commenced contact tracing investigation and arranged testing for all patients and staff members in the ward concerned. The test results of six patients and five staff members were positive for COVID-19. One of the patients with chronic disease passed away in the early morning today, while the other patients are being treated under isolation in stable condition. Admission and visiting arrangements for the ward concerned have been suspended. Thorough cleaning and disinfection have been conducted. The hospital will continue to monitor the health condition of patients and staff members closely, and communicate with the Centre for Health Protection on the latest situation.