<u>Public hospitals daily update on</u> COVID-19 cases

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

As at noon today (July 9), nine COVID-19 confirmed patients (case numbers: 1084, 1176, 1184, 1186, 1188, 1193, 1194, 1227 and 1248) were discharged from hospital in the past 24 hours. So far, a total of 1 176 patients with confirmed or probable infection have been discharged.

At present, there are 595 negative pressure rooms in public hospitals with 1 148 negative pressure beds activated. A total of 149 confirmed patients are currently hospitalised in eight hospitals, among which two patients are in critical condition (case numbers: 595 and 1315), two are in serious condition (case numbers: 1269 and 1306) and the remaining 145 patients are in stable condition.

In view of the recent developments of the pandemic, all public hospitals will suspend the service of Geriatric Day Hospitals and Psychiatric Day Hospitals starting from tomorrow (July 10).

The Hospital Authority will maintain close contact with the Centre for Health Protection to monitor the latest developments and to inform the public and healthcare workers on the latest information in a timely manner.