Public hospitals daily update on COVID-19 cases

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

As at 9am today (January 8), 49 COVID-19 confirmed patients were discharged from hospital in the last 24 hours. So far, a total of 8 307 patients with confirmed or probable infection have been discharged.

At present, there are 688 negative pressure rooms in public hospitals with 1 253 negative pressure beds activated. A total of 615 confirmed patients are currently hospitalised in 23 public hospitals and a community treatment facility, among which 42 patients are in critical condition, 46 are in serious condition and the remaining 527 patients are in stable condition.

Furthermore, an 89-year-old male COVID-19 confirmed patient (case number: 7725) passed away today. The patient, with chronic illness, was admitted to United Christian Hospital on December 15, 2020, due to fever, cough and shortness of breath and tested positive for COVID-19 on the same day. His condition continued to deteriorate and he eventually succumbed at 12.36pm today. Including the above patient, 152 COVID-19 patients have passed away in public hospitals so far.

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.

Details of the above-mentioned patients are as follows:

Patient condition	Case numbers
	7584, 7710, 7931, 7988, 8095, 8102, 8131, 8158, 8159, 8184, 8218, 8248, 8257, 8267, 8325, 8326, 8361, 8414, 8438, 8442, 8469, 8478, 8485, 8506, 8519, 8529, 8565, 8573, 8579, 8591, 8598, 8641, 8684, 8700, 8708, 8715, 8791, 8803, 8826, 8848, 8865, 8895, 8929, 8969, 8992, 9002, 9051, 9087, 9107
Critical	1989, 3496, 5409, 5511, 5735, 5754, 6125, 6232, 6255, 6386, 6444, 6547, 6607, 6754, 6794, 6824, 6913, 6920, 7021, 7123, 7259, 7323, 7424, 7680, 8018, 8055, 8069, 8078, 8126, 8195, 8323, 8384, 8449, 8452, 8564, 8636, 8820, 8900, 8937, 9049, 9060, 9081
II	5739, 5745, 5990, 6258, 6543, 6681, 6850, 6921, 7076, 7127, 7208, 7301, 7305, 7468, 7580, 7632, 7635, 7653, 7824, 7882, 7964, 7986, 8187, 8221, 8235, 8245, 8371, 8443, 8446, 8477, 8544, 8558, 8587, 8603, 8610, 8611, 8738, 8753, 8819, 8832, 8866, 8931, 9015, 9033, 9040, 9045