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

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

As at 9am today (July 31), one COVID-19 confirmed patient (case number: 11959) was discharged from hospital in the last 24 hours. So far, a total of 11 713 patients with confirmed or probable infection have been discharged.

At present, there are 581 negative pressure rooms in public hospitals with 1 045 negative pressure beds activated. A total of 24 confirmed patients are currently hospitalised in eight public hospitals and the North Lantau Hospital Hong Kong Infection Control Centre, among which two patients (case number: 9907, 11971) are in serious condition and the remaining 22 patients are in stable condition.

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.