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

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

As at 9am today (September 17), five COVID-19 confirmed patients (case numbers: 12116, 12130, 12132, 12134 and 12136) were discharged from hospital in the last 24 hours. So far, a total of 11 867 patients with confirmed or probable infection have been discharged.

At present, there are 563 negative pressure rooms in public hospitals with 1 043 negative pressure beds activated. A total of 34 confirmed patients are currently hospitalised in seven public hospitals and the North Lantau Hospital Hong Kong Infection Control Centre and all of them 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.