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The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

As at 0.00am today (February 17), a total of 2 866 patients who are suspected of having or have tested positive for the SARS-CoV-2 virus are currently being treated in the North Lantau Hospital Hong Kong Infection Control Centre, the Hospital Authority (HA) Infectious Disease Centre, the Community Treatment Facility at AsiaWorld-Expo and public hospitals. An additional of 24 confirmed patients passed away. 249 COVID-19 confirmed patients have passed away in public hospitals so far. There were 214 patients discharged yesterday (February 16).

In addition, there are around 2 000 patients isolated in the Community Isolation Facility in Penny's Bay.

The HA 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.