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

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

â€<As at 0.00am today (March 5), a total of 7 215 patients who tested positive or preliminarily positive for COVID-19 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. There were 745 patients discharged. 150 patients passed away. Including 70 previously unannounced cases, a total of 1 766 patients have passed away in public hospitals so far. All cases have been confirmed by the Centre for Health Protection.

There are currently around 2 400 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.