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The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

　　â€‹As at 0.00am today (April 20), a total of 2 829 patients who tested 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 Treatment Centre for COVID-19 (AWE) and public hospitals. There were 873 patients who have recovered, including 232 patients who have been discharged. Moreover, 10 patients passed away in public hospitals.

　　From today onwards, the HA has adopted a new counting method. Patients are considered to be recovered after 28 days from the date they tested positive for COVID-19.

　　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 of the latest information in a timely manner.