

Public hospitals daily update on COVID-19 cases

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

As at 0.00am today (May 23), a total of 514 patients who tested positive for COVID-19 are currently hospitalised for treatment, including 45 new patients. Among the patients staying in isolation facilities, 91 patients are in isolation wards, 18 patients are in second-tier isolation wards and 40 patients are in the North Lantau Hospital Hong Kong Infection Control Centre, of which 18 in total are new patients. The rest of the confirmed patients are hospitalised or readmitted due to other medical reasons. Those patients have recovered and are non-infectious, and therefore do not need to be treated in isolation facilities. Among the hospitalised patients, 10 of them are in critical condition and seven are in serious condition, of which three critical patients are receiving intensive care. There were 43 patients who have recovered, including 27 patients who have been discharged. In addition, no confirmed patient passed away in public hospitals yesterday.

In the fifth wave of the epidemic, there are 49 851 patients who have recovered so far, including 49 545 patients who have been discharged. And since early 2020, there are 62 231 patients who have recovered, including 61 925 patients who have been discharged.

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.