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

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

As at 0.00am today (July 16), a total of 1 108 patients who tested positive for COVID-19 are currently hospitalised for treatment, including 158 new patients. Among the patients staying in isolation facilities, 327 patients are in isolation wards, 15 patients are in second-tier isolation wards and 389 patients are in the North Lantau Hospital Hong Kong Infection Control Centre, of which 118 in total are new patients. There are two newly reported critical patients and two newly reported serious patients. There are a total of 20 patients in critical condition and 27 are in serious condition, of which four critical patients are receiving intensive care. Moreover, there are 129 patients who have recovered, including 120 patients who have been discharged. In addition, one patient who passed away in public hospital was reported.

In the fifth wave of the epidemic, there are 53 453 patients who have recovered so far, including 53 200 patients who have been discharged. And since early 2020, there are 65 833 patients who have recovered, including 65 580 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.