<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 27), a total of 1 390 patients who tested positive for COVID-19 are currently hospitalised for treatment, including 162 new patients. Among the patients staying in isolation facilities, 429 patients are in isolation wards, 25 patients are in second-tier isolation wards and 429 patients are in the North Lantau Hospital Hong Kong Infection Control Centre, of which 121 in total are new patients. There are four newly reported critical patients and seven newly reported serious patients. There are a total of 28 patients in critical condition and 19 are in serious condition, of which eight critical patients are receiving intensive care. Moreover, there are 185 patients who have recovered, including 168 patients who have been discharged. In addition, 10 patients who passed away in public hospitals were reported.

In the fifth wave of the epidemic, there are 54 962 patients who have recovered so far, including 54 710 patients who have been discharged. And since early 2020, there are 67 342 patients who have recovered, including 67 090 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.