

# Public hospitals daily update on COVID-19 cases

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

As at 0.00am today (August 16), a total of 1 813 patients who tested positive for COVID-19 are currently hospitalised for treatment, including 254 new patients. Among the patients staying in isolation facilities, 516 patients are in isolation wards, 122 patients are in second-tier isolation wards and 566 patients are in the North Lantau Hospital Hong Kong Infection Control Centre, of which 202 in total are new patients. There are four newly reported critical patients and four newly reported serious patients. There are a total of 27 patients in critical condition and 26 are in serious condition, of which nine critical patients are receiving intensive care. Moreover, there are 209 patients who have recovered, including 176 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 58 558 patients who have recovered so far, including 58 259 patients who have been discharged. And since early 2020, there are 70 938 patients who have recovered, including 70 639 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.