<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 (September 25), a total of 2 066 patients who tested positive for COVID-19 are currently hospitalised for treatment, including 214 new patients. Among the patients staying in isolation facilities, 393 patients are in isolation wards, 135 patients are in second-tier isolation wards, 349 patients are in the North Lantau Hospital Hong Kong Infection Control Centre and 159 patients are in the Treatment Centre for COVID-19 (AWE), of which 150 in total are new patients. There are seven newly reported critical patients and five newly reported serious patients. There are a total of 39 patients in critical condition and 40 are in serious condition, of which 13 critical patients are receiving intensive care. Moreover, there are 252 patients who have recovered, including 208 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 71 491 patients who have recovered so far, including 71 151 patients who have been discharged. And since early 2020, there are 83 871 patients who have recovered, including 83 531 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.