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

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

As at 0.00am today (October 6), a total of 1 669 patients who tested positive for COVID-19 are currently hospitalised for treatment, including 210 new patients. Among the patients staying in isolation facilities, 377 patients are in isolation wards, 136 patients are in second-tier isolation wards and 355 patients are in the North Lantau Hospital Hong Kong Infection Control Centre, of which 149 in total are new patients. There are five newly reported critical patients and two newly reported serious patients. There are a total of 38 patients in critical condition and 17 are in serious condition, of which 15 critical patients are receiving intensive care. Moreover, there are 211 patients who have recovered, including 181 patients who have been discharged. In addition, six patients who passed away in public hospitals were reported.

In the fifth wave of the epidemic, there are 74 011 patients who have recovered so far, including 73 658 patients who have been discharged. And since early 2020, there are 86 391 patients who have recovered, including 86 038 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.