

PYNEH update on a confirmed case of COVID-19 infection

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesperson for the Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital (PYNEH) made the following update today (August 8) regarding an earlier announcement of a confirmed case of COVID-19 infection in an Integrated Medical & Geriatric Ward:

PYNEH continued to follow up on the patients stayed in the concerned ward. All inpatients were tested negative for COVID-19 on initial screening on August 5. Upon scheduled retesting to the patients stayed in the concerned ward on August 8, the latest result shows three male inpatients, including a 70-year-old and a 78-year-old, who were both classified as close contacts and had been transferred to isolation ward on August 5, and another 64-year-old who stayed in a different cubicle of the same ward, were tested preliminarily positive for COVID-19. All three patients are in stable condition and under isolation treatment now. The connection between these COVID-19 cases is under investigation.

Patient admission and discharge of the concerned ward will remain suspended. The hospital would continue to closely monitor the health condition of other patients and maintain communication with the Centre for Health Protection about the latest situation.