Queen Elizabeth Hospital announces passing away of COVID-19 patient

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesman for the Queen Elizabeth Hospital (QEH) announced today (August 18) that a 64-year-old female patient confirmed with COVID-19 (case no: 1602) passed away this afternoon.

The patient with chronic diseases was admitted to QEH on June 19 due to her underlying diseases. The ward she was admitted to was later found to have a cluster of COVID-19 cases suspected of nosocomial infection. Her condition deteriorated and eventually succumbed at 5.58pm today.

The hospital was saddened about the passing away of the patient and would offer necessary assistance to his family.

Including the above case, 71 COVID-19 confirmed patients have passed away in public hospitals so far.