<u>Update on cluster of Covid-19 cases in</u> <u>TWGHs Wong Tai Sin Hospital</u>

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

Regarding an earlier announcement on a cluster of Covid-19 cases, the spokesperson for TWGHs Wong Tai Sin Hospital gave the following update today (January 16):

Three additional male patients (aged 39 to 59) from the same infirmary ward were infected with the Covid-19 virus through medical surveillance. The patients concerned are being treated in isolation and are in stable condition.

A series of enhanced infection control measures have already been adopted in the ward concerned:

- 1. thorough cleaning and disinfection of the ward concerned;
- 2. enhanced patient and environmental screening procedures; and

3. application of stringent droplet and contact precautions, and enhanced hand hygiene of staff and patients.

The hospital will continue the enhanced infection control measures and closely monitor the situation of the ward concerned. The hospital has reported the case to the Hospital Authority Head Office and the Centre for Health Protection for necessary follow-up.