<u>Update on cluster of Influenza A cases</u> <u>at Kwai Chung Hospital</u>

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority.

Regarding an earlier announcement on a cluster of patients infected with Influenza A in a female psychiatric ward, the spokesperson for Kwai Chung Hospital made the following update today (April 8):

Two more patients (aged 19 and 62) in the ward have presented with symptoms of fever. Appropriate viral tests had been arranged for the patients and their test results were positive for Influenza A. The patients concerned are being treated in isolation and are in stable condition.

Admission and visiting arrangements to the ward concerned have been suspended. Infection control measures have already been stepped up according to established guidelines. The hospital will continue to closely monitor the conditions of the patients in the ward concerned.

The cases have been reported to the Hospital Authority Head Office and the Centre for Health Protection for necessary follow-up.