

Update on cluster of Influenza A cases in Kwai Chung Hospital

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 rehabilitation ward (EXITERS), the spokesperson for Kwai Chung Hospital made the following update today (January 6):

Two more male patients (aged 33 and 63) in the ward presented with fever or respiratory symptoms. Appropriate viral tests were arranged for the patients and the test result 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 enhanced 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.