Update on cluster of Multi-drug Resistant Acinetobacter cases in Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

Regarding an earlier announcement on a cluster of patients confirmed to be carriers of Multi-Drug Resistant Acinetobacter (MDRA) in medical wards, the spokesperson for Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital made the following update today (March 26):

In accordance with prevailing guidelines, the hospital has commenced contact tracing and confirmed one 54-year-old male patient in the medical ward to be a carrier of MDRA. The patient is currently under medical surveillance and isolation treatment with stable condition. Following the activation of Emergency Response Level in public hospitals, visiting arrangements for the wards have been suspended.

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