<u>Update on cluster of Parainfluenza</u> <u>Virus cases in Cheshire Home, Shatin</u>

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

Regarding an earlier announcement on a cluster of patients infected with Parainfluenza Virus Type 4 in a male disabled unit, the spokesperson for Cheshire Home, Shatin made the following update today (October 8):

One more 53-year-old patient in the ward had presented with respiratory symptoms. Laboratory testing had been arranged for the patient and the test result was positive for Parainfluenza Virus Type 4. The patient is being treated under isolation in stable condition.

Infection control measures have already been stepped up according to established guidelines. All other patients in the concerned ward are under close surveillance.

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