Update on clusters of Carbapenemaseproducing Enterobacteriaceae cases in Haven of Hope Hospital

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority.

Regarding an earlier announcement on a cluster of patients confirmed as having Carbapenemase-producing Enterobacterales (CPE) in a medicine ward, the spokesperson for Haven of Hope Hospital (HHH) gave the following update today (September 5):

The hospital has conducted a screening and confirmed three more patients, males aged between 75 and 88, as carriers of CPE. One patient is being treated in isolation at HHH and is in stable condition. The other two patients have been discharged on August 27 and September 5, respectively.

The ward concerned will continue to adopt the following enhanced infection control measures:

- 1. Enhanced patient and environmental screening procedures;
- 2. Continuing to apply stringent contact precautions and enhanced hand hygiene for staff and patients; and
- 3. Enhanced cleaning and disinfection for the environment and facilities of the ward.

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