

Cluster of parainfluenza cases at Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesperson for Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital made the following announcement today (December 6):

Five patients (three boys and two girls, aged 2 months old to 17) in two paediatric wards presented with respiratory symptoms since November 25. Appropriate tests were arranged for the patients and their test results were positive for parainfluenza virus type 3. Two patients were discharged earlier, while the other three patients are still hospitalised with stable condition.

Infection control measures have already been stepped up according to established guidelines. All other patients in the wards 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.