

Cluster of Rhinovirus cases in Duchess of Kent Children's Hospital at Sandy Bay

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesperson of Duchess of Kent Children's Hospital at Sandy Bay made the following announcement today (August 23):

Five patients (four male and one female, aged 4 to 8) in a ward presented with fever, running nose or cough since August 16. Three patients were confirmed as having Rhinovirus infection. All patients are in stable condition. They are being treated under isolation.

Infection control measures of the ward have already been stepped up according to established guidelines. All other patients in the ward are under close surveillance. The cases have been reported to Hospital Authority Head Office and the Centre for Health Protection for necessary follow-up.