

Public hospitals daily update on COVID-19 cases

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

As at 0.00am today (August 17), a total of 1 875 patients who tested positive for COVID-19 are currently hospitalised for treatment, including 273 new patients. Among the patients staying in isolation facilities, 518 patients are in isolation wards, 141 patients are in second-tier isolation wards and 601 patients are in the North Lantau Hospital Hong Kong Infection Control Centre, of which 214 in total are new patients. There are nine newly reported critical patients and nine newly reported serious patients. There are a total of 32 patients in critical condition and 33 are in serious condition, of which 10 critical patients are receiving intensive care. Moreover, there are 206 patients who have recovered, including 172 patients who have been discharged. In addition, four patients who passed away in public hospitals were reported.

In the fifth wave of the epidemic, there are 58 795 patients who have recovered so far, including 58 490 patients who have been discharged. And since early 2020, there are 71 175 patients who have recovered, including 70 870 patients who have been discharged.

The Hospital Authority will maintain close contact with the Centre for Health Protection to monitor the latest developments and to inform the public and healthcare workers on the latest information in a timely manner.