

Update on cluster of Influenza A cases in Kwai Chung Hospital

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

Regarding an earlier announcement on a cluster of patients infected with Influenza A in a male ward of a psychiatric intensive care unit, the spokesperson for Kwai Chung Hospital made the following update today (July 26):

Two more patients (aged 39 and 61) and a staff member in the ward presented with symptoms of fever. Appropriate viral tests were arranged for the patients and the test results were positive for Influenza A. The patients concerned are in stable condition. One of the patients has been discharged while another patient is being treated in isolation. The staff member is currently on leave.

Admissions and visits to the ward concerned have been suspended. Infection control measures have already been enhanced according to established guidelines. The hospital will continue to closely monitor the conditions of the patients in the ward concerned.

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