[Yan Chai Hospital announces Candida auris cases](#)

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesperson for Yan Chai Hospital (YCH) made the following announcement today (July 7):

Two asymptomatic patients (aged 91 and 72), who were admitted to male medical ward on June 11 and June 24 respectively, were confirmed to carry Candida auris in an earlier screening exercise on July 3. The patients are now treated under isolation with stable condition. In accordance with prevailing guidelines, YCH has commenced contact tracing for patients who might have had close contact with the index patients.

The hospital has reported the cases to the Hospital Authority Head Office and the Centre for Health Protection (CHP). The following enhanced infection control measures have already been adopted:

1. Thorough cleansing and disinfection of the wards concerned;
2. Enhance patient and environmental screening procedures; and
3. Apply stringent contact precautions and enhance hand hygiene of staff and patients.

The hospital will continue to closely monitor the situation of the patients and follow up the cases with concerned departments and the CHP.