

Update on cluster of Parainfluenza Virus Type 2 cases in Siu Lam Hospital

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

Regarding an earlier announcement on a cluster of patients infected with Parainfluenza Virus Type 2 in a male ward for severe intellectual disability, the spokesperson for Siu Lam Hospital made the following update today (January 5):

Two more patients (aged 34 and 76) in the ward had presented with respiratory symptoms. Appropriate viral tests had been arranged for the patients and the test results were positive for Parainfluenza Virus Type 2. The patients concerned are being treated under isolation with stable condition.

Admission to the ward has been suspended and restricted visiting has been imposed. Infection control measures 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 the Hospital Authority Head Office and the Centre for Health Protection for necessary follow up.

Tung Chung Swimming Pool temporarily closed

Attention TV/radio announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible and repeat it at regular intervals:

Here is an item of interest to swimmers.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (January 5) that Tung Chung Swimming Pool in Islands District has been temporarily closed for cleaning and superchlorination following the discovery of a small amount of vomit in the pool.

It will be reopened at 5.05pm today.

The department appeals to swimmers to be considerate and to keep the swimming pools clean. They are advised not to swim after a full meal and should use the toilet facilities if necessary before swimming.

Missing man in Kwun Tong located

A man who went missing in Kwun Tong has been located.

Chow Yue-weng, aged 78, went missing after he was last seen at MTR Kwun Tong Station on January 3 night. His family made a report to Police on the same day.

The man was located in Fung Shing Street in Wong Tai Sin in the small hours today (January 5).

Special traffic arrangements for race meeting in Sha Tin tomorrow

Police advise motorists that special traffic arrangements will be implemented in Sha Tin to facilitate the race meeting tomorrow (January 6).

The arrangements will come into effect two hours before the start of the first race and will last until the crowds have dispersed after the race meeting.

Appropriate traffic signs will be put up and police will be on hand to guide motorists.

The Police also appeal to people going to Sha Tin Racecourse for the race meeting and to Happy Valley Racecourse for cross betting to make maximum use of public transport.

Parking spaces at the two racecourses are available only to holders of appropriate permits issued by Hong Kong Jockey Club and any vehicles illegally parked will be towed away.

Missing man in Western Division located

A man who went missing in Western Division has been located.

Wong Kwong-yin, aged 63, went missing after he left an elderly home on Queen's Road West on January 3 night. Staff of the elderly home made a report to Police on the same day.

The man was located on Lun Fat Street in Wan Chai last night (January 4). He sustained no injuries and was sent to Ruttonjee Hospital for examination. No suspicious circumstances were detected.