

SFH speaks on seasonal influenza

Following is the transcript of remarks made by the Secretary for Food and Health, Professor Sophia Chan, after attending a public function today (February 11):

Reporter: Could you tell us about the control of influenza, as primary schools are now coming back from the holiday?

Secretary for Food and Health: All the children, at least most of them, are now back to school. While the influenza situation continues to be at a high level, the trend is actually going down in terms of the number of samples tested positive. Therefore, we will continue to monitor the situation to see whether there are any outbreaks and the overall situation. I also appeal to especially the high-risk groups, such as the elderly population as well as the young kids, to be vigilant about their hygiene. If they still haven't got their vaccination, please go ahead to have flu vaccines.

(Please also refer to the Chinese portion of the transcript.)