

Sick person in custody dies in public hospital

A sick 51-year-old male person in custody at Lai Chi Kok Reception Centre died in a public hospital today (December 20).

The person in custody suffered from liver cirrhosis and hepatic encephalopathy. He required continuous medical care and follow-up at the institution hospital and a public hospital. On November 8, he was sent to a public hospital for treatment due to physical discomfort. During hospitalisation, his condition deteriorated and he was certified dead at 4.35am today.

The case has been reported to the Police. A death inquest will be held by the Coroner's Court.

The person in custody was sentenced to imprisonment for the offence of breach of condition of stay in September 2021.