

HA releases risk management publications

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The Hospital Authority (HA) today (January 23) published both the latest quarterly issue of "HA Risk Alert" as well as the Annual Report on Sentinel and Serious Untoward Events as a risk management and communication initiative to further strengthen the incident reporting and sharing of lessons learnt for safety improvements in public hospitals.

The HA spokesperson said the latest issue of "HA Risk Alert" reports five cases of retained instruments or material after surgery/interventional procedures, six cases of patient suicide and one case of infant abduction. Furthermore, among the 21 reported Serious Untoward Events, there were 17 medication errors and four cases of patient misidentification.

"Subsequent to incident review and analysis of root causes of these incidents, important lessons for patient safety are identified, while recommendations are made and shared in this publication to avoid similar events in future," the spokesperson added.

In a similar development, the HA also released the Annual Report on Sentinel and Serious Untoward Events covering the 12 months from October 1, 2018, to September 30, 2019, after it was discussed and endorsed by the HA Board this afternoon. There were a total of 42 Sentinel Events reported this year.

During the year, 92 Serious Untoward Events have also been reported, with 86 and six events related to medication errors and patient misidentification respectively. Serious Untoward Events are unexpected occurrences which had not caused death or permanent harm to patients but would have had the potential to do so without timely intervention.

The Annual Report on Sentinel and Serious Untoward Events can be accessed by healthcare workers and the public at www.ha.org.hk/report/sentinel_event, while "HA Risk Alert" has been distributed to the healthcare professionals in public hospitals for continuous quality improvement purposes and can be accessed by the public at www.ha.org.hk/riskalert. The next issue will be published on April 24.

Fatal traffic accident in Kwun Tong

Police are investigating a fatal traffic accident in Kwun Tong this morning (January 23) in which a 76-year-old woman died.

At about 10.41am, a heavy goods vehicle (HGV) driven by a 57-year-old man was travelling eastbound along Kai Tin Road. When approaching the carpark of Kai Tin Shopping Centre, it reportedly knocked down the 76-year-old woman who was crossing the road.

Sustaining serious head injuries, the 76-year-old woman was rushed to Queen Elizabeth Hospital in unconscious state and was certified dead at 11.12am.

The HGV driver was arrested for dangerous driving causing death. He has been released on bail pending further enquiries and is required to report back to Police in mid-February.

Investigation by the Special Investigation Team of Traffic, Kowloon East is underway.

Anyone who witnessed the accident or has any information to offer is urged to contact the investigating officers on 2305 7500 or 2305 7570.

Crowd safety management measures and special traffic arrangements in Kowloon and the New Territories during Lunar New Year

Police will implement special traffic arrangements in various districts in Kowloon and the New Territories to facilitate members of the public visiting Lunar New Year Fairs. During Lunar New Year period, Police will also implement crowd safety management measures in Mong Kok District.

Crowd safety management measures in Mong Kok

During the Lunar New Year period, an upsurge of crowd flow is expected in areas including Portland Street (between Argyle Street and Soy Street), Sai Yeung Choi Street South (between Argyle Street and Dundas Street) and the adjacent Nelson Street, Shantung Street, Soy Street, Tung Choi Street and Fa Yuen Street.

The Mong Kok Pedestrian Precinct at Sai Yeung Choi Street South between Argyle Street and Dundas Street were abolished in August 2018. Members of the public are advised to pay attention to road safety to avoid accidents.

For safety reason, Police may divert crowds to leave saturated areas when necessary. Police also appeal to the public not to patronise unlicensed hawkers or conduct street performance in public places, so as to avoid causing obstructions, disorder and potential danger to others in the crowded area. Any obstruction of public places, pavements, loading or unloading areas might impede the free flow of crowd and traffic, posing threats to public safety and public order.

Police will implement appropriate measures for crowd safety and traffic management to maintain public order and safety. Members of the public should exercise patience and tolerance, follow instructions given by Police officers and take heed of Police advice and announcement at scene.

Special traffic arrangements for Lunar New Year Fairs

Flower Market Road area

A. Road closure and traffic diversions

The following roads will be closed until 8am on January 25:

- Flower Market Road;
- Yuen Ngai Street;
- Yuen Po Street; and
- Prince Edward Road West service road.

Goods vehicles may access the above roads daily from 12.01am to 5pm for loading/unloading.

During the road closure period, traffic along westbound Prince Edward Road West cannot turn right to northbound Sai Yee Street. Affected vehicles will be diverted via northbound Tung Choi Street, Playing Field Road/Boundary Street, Fa Yuen Street, and Prince Edward Road West service road.

Subject to prevailing traffic situation, the following roads will be closed from 3pm on January 24 or anytime when necessary until 8am on January 25:

- Sai Yee Street between Prince Edward Road West and Boundary Street;
- Fa Yuen Street between Prince Edward Road West and Boundary Street;
- Playing Field Road between Tung Choi Street and Sai Yee Street; and
- Prince Edward Road West service road between Nathan Road and Sai Yee Street.

Traffic along westbound Prince Edward Road West cannot turn right to northbound Sai Yee Street during the period.

To facilitate pedestrians, offside lane of Prince Edward Road West 50 metres in front of flyover will be closed from 6pm on January 23 to 4am on the following day; and from 2pm on January 24 to 8am on the following day.

B. Suspension of parking spaces

The parking spaces at the following locations will be suspended until 8am on January 25:

- The metered parking spaces on Fa Yuen Street between Prince Edward Road West service road and Boundary Street;
- The disabled parking spaces on Fa Yuen Street near Boundary Street;
- The metered parking spaces on Tung Choi Street between Prince Edward Road West service road and Boundary Street;
- The motorcycle parking spaces on Tung Choi Street near Playing Field Road;
- The motorcycle parking spaces on Playing Field Road between Fa Yuen Street and Tung Choi Street;
- The motorcycles parking spaces under Prince Edward Road West flyover between Tung Choi Street and Sai Yee Street; and
- The disabled parking spaces on Playing Field Road near Tung Choi Street.

The metered parking spaces on Playing Field Road between Sai Yee Street and Tung Choi Street will be suspended from 3pm on January 24 to 8am on the following day.

Fa Hui Park

A. Road closure and traffic diversions

The following traffic arrangements will be implemented from 6pm on January 23 to 4am on the following day, and from 2pm on January 24 to 7am on the following day:

- Traffic along westbound Lincoln Road cannot turn left to Cumberland Road, except for taxis;
- Traffic along Essex Crescent cannot turn left to southbound Cumberland Road, except for residents;
- Traffic along Embankment Road cannot turn right to Duke Street, except for residents;
- The cul-de-sac section of Dianthus Road east of Tat Chee Avenue will be closed;
- The third lane of southbound Tai Hang Tung Road between Tat Chee Avenue and Boundary Street will be closed;
- The first lane of eastbound Boundary Street between Tai Hang Tung Road and the bus stop outside Fa Hui Park will be closed;
- The third lane of northbound Tai Hang Tung Road between Tat Chee Avenue and Boundary Street will be closed. Vehicles cannot turn right to Tat Chee Avenue; and
- The first lane of eastbound Cheung Sha Wan Road flyover leading to Boundary Street will be closed.

The fifth lane of westbound Prince Edward Road West between Yuen Po Street and the flyover will be closed from 10pm on January 24 to 3am on the following day.

B. Suspension of parking spaces

Parking spaces at the following locations will be suspended from 3pm on January 23 to 8am on January 25:

- Two metered parking spaces on Tong Yam Street;
- All metered parking spaces and motorcycle parking spaces on Duke Street;
- Motorcycle parking spaces on Knight Street near the junction with Duke Street;
- Two metered parking spaces on Belfran Road; and
- All metered parking spaces on Lincoln Road.

C. Temporary loading and unloading point

A loading and unloading point will be set up at Tong Yam Street near the junction with Tai Hang Tung Road from 3pm on January 23 to 8am on January 25.

Wong Tai Sin

The following traffic arrangements will be implemented from 5pm on January 24 to 6am on the following day:

A. Road closure

Subject to traffic condition, Ching Tak Street between Lung Cheung Road and Tung Tau Tsuen Road may be closed.

B. Traffic diversions

Public light buses and taxis at Ching Tak Street terminus cannot turn right to eastbound Ching Tak Street.

Subject to traffic condition, vehicles may not be allowed to turn left from westbound Lung Cheung Road to Ching Tak Street and Fung Mo Street.

C. Temporary "No-Stopping" Area

Illegal parking and stopping will be strictly prohibited on Ching Tak Street, Tung Tau Tsuen Road, Shatin Pass Road, Fung Mo Street, Fu Mei Street, Wang Tau Hom East Road, Wang Tau Hom South Road and Wang Tau Hom Central Road. Disabled persons will be allowed to board or alight from vehicles in the area should the situation warrants.

Cheung Sha Wan

All metered parking spaces on Hang Cheung Street will be suspended until 8am on January 25.

Parking and stopping will be strictly prohibited on Fortune Street, Hang Cheung Street and Fat Tseung Street until 8am on January 25, except for passenger pick up and drop off, loading and unloading.

Kwun Tong

A. Road closure

Kai Lim Road, Fuk Ning Road and Fuk Tong Road will be closed daily from 3pm to 4am on the following day on January 23 and 24.

B. Suspension of parking spaces

Metered parking spaces, motorcycle parking spaces and disabled parking spaces on Kai Lim Road will be suspended until 4am on January 25.

Tseung Kwan O

All parking spaces on Wan Lung Road will be suspended until 7am on January 25.

A temporary passenger pick up and drop off point will be set up at Hok Lam Lane.

Tuen Mun

The following special traffic arrangements will be implemented daily from 6pm to 8am on the following day from January 23 to 24:

A. Road closure

- Tin Hau Road;
- San Hop Lane;
- Hung Cheung Road from its junction with Tin Hau Road to its southern junction with San Ping Circuit;
- Southbound Hung Cheung Road between its northern and southern junctions with San Ping Circuit;
- San On Street from its southern junction with Hung Cheung Road to a point about 50 metres north of the same junction; and
- Hing Wong Street from its southern junction with Hung Cheung Road to a point about 50 metres north of the same junction.

B. Cycling track closure

The cycling track along the western riverside of Tuen Mun River Channel between Pui To Road and Yau Oi Bridge will be closed.

C. Traffic diversions

- Traffic along southbound Tin Hau Road cannot turn right to Hung Cheung

Road;

- Traffic along Yip Wong Road cannot turn to Tin Hau Road; and
- Hung Cheung Road between its southern and northern junctions with San Ping Circuit will be re-routed to one-way northbound.

D. Suspension of parking spaces

The overnight on-street parking spaces on Tin Hau Road and Hung Cheung Road from its junction with Tin Hau Road to its southern junction with San Ping Circuit will be suspended daily from 8pm to 8am on the following day from January 23 to 24.

E. Passenger pick up and drop off point

Tin Hau Road near its junction with San Hop Lane will be designated as passenger pick up and drop off point.

Yuen Long

A. Road closure

Keung Yip Street will be closed until 2pm on January 25.

The following roads will be closed from 4pm on January 24 to 7am on the following day:

- Hong Yip Street between Po Yip Street and Wang Yip Street West, except for franchised buses and green minibuses;
- Hi Yip Street;
- Wang Yip Street East;
- Wang Yip Street South between Wang Yip Street East and Kwong Yip Street;
- The unnamed road between Wang Yip Street West and Kwong Yip Street; and
- The slip road leading from Long Yip Street to Kwong Yip Street, except for franchised buses.

B. Traffic diversions

Hong Yip Street between Po Yip Street and Yuen Long Kau Hui Road will be re-routed to one-way eastbound from 8pm on January 24 to 7am on the following day. Vehicles heading to One Regent Place will be diverted via Po Yip Street, Hong Yip Street and Kwan Lok Lane.

C. Cycling track closure

Cycling track in Keung Yip Street will be closed from 4pm on January 24 to 7am on the following day.

D. Suspension of parking spaces

Parking spaces on Hong Yip Street, Wang Yip Street East between Wang Yip Street South and Hi Yip Street, and Wang Yip Street South will be suspended

from 4pm on January 24 to 7am on the following day.

Parking spaces on the following roads will be suspended daily from 8pm to 8am on the following day from January 22 to January 25:

- Fu Yip Street, except for franchised buses;
- Tak Yip Street, except for franchised buses;
- Wang Lok Street;
- Po Yip Street;
- Wang Yip Street East between Hong Yip Street and Keung Yip Street;
- Wang Yip Street West, except for franchised buses; and
- Leung Yip Street (will be intermittently closed depending on prevailing crowd and traffic conditions).

Tsuen Wan

The following traffic arrangements will be implemented daily from 6pm to 5am on the following day on January 23 and 24:

A. Road closure

- Kai Hong Close;
- Kai Chi Close;
- Hoi Pa Street between Tai Ho Road and Lo Tak Court;
- The slow of eastbound Sha Tsui Road between Yuen Tun Circuit and Tai Ho Road; and
- The slow lane of westbound Sha Tsui Road between Yuen Tun Circuit and Heung Shing Street.

B. Suspension of parking spaces

Motorcycle parking spaces on Kai Hong Close will be suspended.

Metered parking spaces No. 20192 to 20195 on Sha Tsui Road will be suspended.

Kwai Chung

The metered parking spaces and disabled parking spaces on Ko Fong Street will be suspended from 2pm on January 24 to 8am on the following day.

Tai Po

The cycling track on Ting Kok Road between Ting Tai Road and On Chee Road will be closed from 6pm on January 24 to 6am on the following day.

Sheung Shui

San Lok Street (except for vehicles entering or leaving from Pearl

Vista), San Tsoi Street, and Fu Hing Street between San Hong Street and San Tsoi Street will be closed from 6pm on January 24 to 4am on the following day.

Members of the public are advised to make use of public transport to go to the Lunar New Year Fairs.

Any vehicles found illegally parked within the precincts of special traffic arrangements may be towed away without prior warning or subjected to multiple ticketing.

Actual implementation of the traffic arrangements will be made depending on traffic and crowd conditions in the areas. Motorists are advised to drive with care and patience and follow the instructions of the Police on site.

[Hospital Authority announces senior appointment \(with photo\)](#)

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The Hospital Authority (HA) spokesperson announced the following senior appointment today (January 23):

Dr Lau Sze-ting will be appointed as Hospital Chief Executive of Hong Kong Buddhist Hospital, Our Lady of Maryknoll Hospital and Tung Wah Group of Hospitals Wong Tai Sin Hospital (HCE of HKBH, OLMH and WTSH) with effect from January 24, 2020, succeeding Dr Chong Yee-hung, who has taken up the post of HCE of Pok Oi Hospital and Tin Shui Wai Hospital on August 23, 2019.

Dr Lau is a specialist in geriatric medicine. He is currently the Deputising HCE of HKBH, OLMH and WTSH. Since December 2018, he has been the Deputy HCE of OLMH, in addition to his role as Chief of Service of Department of Medicine and Geriatrics, a position he has held since March 2018 in the hospital. Dr Lau is an experienced senior clinician with rich management experience. He plays an active role in the redevelopment project of OLMH. He has also contributed to the geriatric service planning and improvements by implementing the End-of-Life Care Programme for inpatients, providing support in community partnership initiatives such as the Dementia Community Support Scheme and the Integrated Discharge Support Programme, as well as leading various quality and safety improvement programmes.

The HA Chairman, Mr Henry Fan, and HA Chief Executive, Dr Tony Ko, congratulate Dr Lau on his new appointment and wish him every success in taking up the new role.



EMSD releases lift and escalator contractors' latest performance ratings

The Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (EMSD) today (January 23) announced the performance ratings of the registered lift and escalator contractors for the past 12 months (from January 2019 to December 2019) for public reference.

According to the rating results, 36 registered lift contractors and 24 registered escalator contractors were awarded the Safety Star. Among these contractors, 19 registered lift contractors and 17 registered escalator contractors had not been found non-compliant with the safety and maintenance requirements as reported in the last two consecutive announcements of performance results, and were therefore given the highest rating of five Quality Stars. The EMSD conducted 29 101 inspections of lifts and escalators during the period.

The rating results, conviction records, summaries of warning letters and equipment failure records are available on the EMSD's website (www.emsd.gov.hk/emsd/eng/pps/le_pub_mpr.shtml).