

Key statistics on service demand of A&E Departments and occupancy rates in public hospitals

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

During the service demand surge, the Hospital Authority is closely monitoring the service demand of Accident and Emergency Departments and the occupancy rate in public hospitals. Key service statistics are being issued daily for public information. Details are in the appended table.

COVID-19 Vaccination Programme statistics

The COVID-19 Vaccination Programme has been implemented for the 59th day since February 26, 2021.

So far, about 1 275 300 doses of COVID-19 vaccines have been administered for members of the public (please see Annex 1). Among them, about 842 800 persons have received their first dose, with about 405 400 persons receiving the Sinovac vaccine and about 437 300 persons receiving the BioNTech vaccine. About 432 500 persons have received their second dose, with about 282 700 persons receiving the Sinovac vaccine and about 149 800 persons receiving the BioNTech vaccine.

In the last 24 hours ending at 8pm today (April 25), about 22 100 persons have received vaccination and about 10 900 new vaccination bookings have been made online, detailed as follows:

(i) About 3 700 persons received their first dose of the Sinovac vaccine, including about 3 300 persons vaccinated at Community Vaccination Centres (CVCs) and about 400 persons at private doctors and clinics participating in the programme;

(ii) about 7 600 persons received their second dose of the Sinovac vaccine, including about 7 100 persons vaccinated at CVCs and about 400 persons at private doctors and clinics;

(iii) about 10 700 persons received their first dose of the BioNTech vaccine at CVCs, and about 100 persons received their second dose of the BioNTech vaccine;

(iv) the overall percentage of people who have received the Sinovac vaccine at CVCs is about 96 per cent; while the overall percentage of people who have received the BioNTech vaccine at CVCs is about 94 per cent; and

(v) about 2 600 persons have made online bookings for receiving their first and second doses of the Sinovac vaccine, while about 8 300 persons have made online bookings for receiving their first and second doses of the BioNTech vaccine.

In the last 24 hours ending at 0.00am today, there were 11 cases of ambulance transfers to hospitals. Among them, 10 persons were discharged and one person was admitted for observation (please see Annex 2).

As background information, in the last 24 hours ending at 0.00am today, there were 45 cases of stroke or myocardial infarction that required admission to the Intensive Care Unit, Acute Stroke Unit and Cardiac Care Unit of public hospitals. The state of new cases admitted to the wards concerned is provided as a cross reference to enhance fuller public understanding of cases of the kind recorded on vaccine recipients.

[Man holding charged with murder](#)

Police today (April 25) laid a holding charge against a 70-year-old man with one count of murder.

The man was arrested on April 23 in suspected connection with a murder case happened in Tuen Mun in which an 85-year-old man died.

The case will be mentioned at Tuen Mun Magistrates' Courts tomorrow (April 26) morning.

[Suicide and body found case in North Point reclassified as murder and suicide](#)

Police today (April 25) reclassified a suicide and body found case in North Point yesterday as murder and suicide in which an 83-year-old man and his 85-year-old wife died.

At about 7.13pm, Police received a report from a man that his father was found hanging and his mother was lying unconsciously inside a unit on Fort Street, North Point.

Police officers sped to the scene. The 83-year-old man was found hanging with a rope and his 85-year-old wife was found collapsed inside the unit. The duo were rushed to Ruttonjee Hospital in unconscious state for medical treatment and were later certified dead at 7.46pm and 7.51pm respectively.

Initial investigation revealed that wounds were found on the neck of the woman, suspectedly the result of an assault.

Post-mortem examinations will be conducted later to ascertain the causes of their deaths.

Investigation by the District Crime Squad of Eastern District is underway.

CAS holds 81st Recruits Passing-out Parade (with photos)

The Civil Aid Service (CAS) held the 81st Recruits Passing-out Parade at its headquarters today (April 25). The parade was reviewed by the Acting Deputy Commissioner (Development and Youth) of the CAS, Mr Ng Kwok-fai.

The CAS Recruit Training Certificate Programme has been recognised under the Hong Kong Qualifications Framework as meeting the accreditation standards at Level 3 by the Hong Kong Council for Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications. Graduates will be awarded the Certificate in Auxiliary Forces Basic Training (Civil Defence).

Facing the challenges of the pandemic, the CAS recruits strived their best to participate in the training to broaden their horizons and enrich their knowledge, and the training was successfully completed earlier this month. A total of 58 recruits participated in the Passing-out Parade, after which they will use what they have learnt to serve society.

For the first time, some of the recruits are students from the Higher Diploma in Management for Security and Disciplined Services course organised by the Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education. After completion of the recruits induction training, they can put into practice the theories they have learnt when they serve in the CAS to contribute to society.

Recruitment of CAS members is open for application throughout the year.

Recruitment details and application forms are available at the CAS website (www.cas.gov.hk).

