

Person in custody found collapsed dies in hospital

A 42-year-old male person in custody collapsed in Tong Fuk Correctional Institution last night (April 7) and subsequently died in a public hospital after treatment today (April 8).

At 11.31pm yesterday, a correctional officer found the person in custody collapsed in the toilet of a dormitory. The correctional officer immediately called for reinforcement to apply first aid treatment to the person in custody, and a helicopter was called to send him to a public hospital for further treatment. His condition deteriorated and he was certified dead at 11.41am today.

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

The person in custody, who had a drug abuse history of more than 15 years, was sentenced to imprisonment for the offence of trafficking in a dangerous drug in February 2019.

CHP investigates 10 additional confirmed cases of COVID-19

The Centre for Health Protection (CHP) of the Department of Health (DH) announced that as of 0.00am, April 8, the CHP was investigating 10 additional confirmed cases of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), taking the number of cases to 11 550 in Hong Kong so far (comprising 11 549 confirmed cases and one probable case).

Among the newly reported cases announced, eight are imported cases and one is a local case with unknown sources, while the remaining case is epidemiologically linked with a local case.

The case with unknown sources involves a 70-year-old woman (case number: 11547) who was asymptomatic. She was admitted to Tuen Mun Hospital on April 6 for another medical condition and tested positive during her admission screening. She is retired.

A total of 120 cases have been recorded in the past 14 days (March 25 to April 7), including 26 local cases of which nine are from unknown sources.

The CHP's epidemiological investigations and relevant contact tracing on the confirmed cases are ongoing. For case details and contact tracing information, please see the Annex or the list of buildings with confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the past 14 days and the latest local situation of COVID-19 available on the website "COVID-19 Thematic Website" (www.coronavirus.gov.hk).

Meanwhile, the CHP reminded those who had visited specified venues under the Prevention and Control of Disease (Compulsory Testing for Certain Persons) Regulation (Cap. 599J) to receive COVID-19 nucleic acid testing according to the compulsory testing notice. The Regulation also requires all household members of close contacts of confirmed cases to undergo a COVID-19 nucleic acid test within a specified period according to compulsory testing notices published in the Gazette. The public are also urged to seek medical attention early if symptoms develop and undergo testing as soon as possible.

The Government has launched the COVID-19 Vaccination Programme. Members of the public are encouraged to get vaccinated. Details of the programme can be found at the designated website (www.covidvaccine.gov.hk).

The CHP called on members of the public to avoid going out, having social contact and dining out. They should put on a surgical mask and maintain stringent hand hygiene when they need to go out. The CHP strongly urged the elderly to stay home as far as possible and avoid going out. They should consider asking their family and friends to help with everyday tasks such as shopping for basic necessities.

The spokesman said, "Given that the situation of COVID-19 infection remains severe and that there is a continuous increase in the number of cases reported around the world, members of the public are strongly urged to avoid all non-essential travel outside Hong Kong.

"The CHP also strongly urges the public to maintain at all times strict personal and environmental hygiene, which is key to personal protection against infection and prevention of the spread of the disease in the community. On a personal level, members of the public should wear a surgical mask when having respiratory symptoms, taking public transport or staying in crowded places. They should also perform hand hygiene frequently, especially before touching the mouth, nose or eyes.

"As for household environmental hygiene, members of the public are advised to maintain drainage pipes properly and regularly pour water into drain outlets (U-traps). After using the toilet, they should put the toilet lid down before flushing to avoid spreading germs."

Moreover, the Government has launched the website "COVID-19 Thematic Website" (www.coronavirus.gov.hk) for announcing the latest updates on various news on COVID-19 infection and health advice to help the public understand the latest updates. Members of the public may also gain access to information via the COVID-19 WhatsApp Helpline launched by the Office of the Government Chief Information Officer. Simply by saving 9617 1823 in their

phone contacts or clicking the link wa.me/85296171823?text=hi, they will be able to obtain information on COVID-19 as well as the "StayHomeSafe" mobile app and wristband via WhatsApp.

To prevent pneumonia and respiratory tract infections, members of the public should always maintain good personal and environmental hygiene. They are advised to:

- Wear a surgical mask when taking public transport or staying in crowded places. It is important to wear a mask properly, including performing hand hygiene before wearing and after removing a mask;
- Perform hand hygiene frequently, especially before touching the mouth, nose or eyes, after touching public installations such as handrails or doorknobs, or when hands are contaminated by respiratory secretions after coughing or sneezing;
- Maintain drainage pipes properly and regularly (about once a week) pour about half a litre of water into each drain outlet (U-trap) to ensure environmental hygiene;
- After using the toilet, put the toilet lid down before flushing to avoid spreading germs;
- Wash hands with liquid soap and water, and rub for at least 20 seconds. Then rinse with water and dry with a disposable paper towel. If hand washing facilities are not available, or when hands are not visibly soiled, performing hand hygiene with 70 to 80 per cent alcohol-based handrub is an effective alternative;
- Cover your mouth and nose with tissue paper when sneezing or coughing. Dispose of soiled tissues into a lidded rubbish bin, then wash hands thoroughly; and
- When having respiratory symptoms, wear a surgical mask, refrain from work or attending class at school, avoid going to crowded places and seek medical advice promptly.

[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 rates in public hospitals. Key service statistics are being issued daily for public information. Details are in the appended table.

[Hongkong Post to issue “Local Snacks in Hong Kong” special stamps \(with photos\)](#)

Hong Kong offers worldwide delicacies for foodies to savour. But to get a real taste of the food culture of the city, it is best to try a wide variety of local snacks. Hongkong Post will launch a set of six stamps and a stamp sheetlet on April 22 (Thursday), under the theme of "Local Snacks in Hong Kong", featuring an array of the appetising favourites.

The set of special stamps depicts six traditional delicacies, golden and springy fishballs with a tangy taste; delicious candy and coconut wrap that is crunchy and aromatic; tasty stuffed three treasures with a slightly burnt fragrance; buttered pineapple bun with contrasting and unique flavours; mouth-watering stewed skewers that are fresh and juicy; and nutty, treacly and chewy peanut candies, which are popular among all generations. The stamp sheetlet showcases five other delectable local snacks, silky smooth steamed rice rolls with soy sauce, sweet paste, sesame sauce and chili sauce, sprinkled with sesame seeds; velvety tofu pudding with a strong soy aroma; maltose crackers with gummy maltose, not overly sweet, and crunchy crackers; soft and mushy steamed rice pudding with boiled red beans; and egg waffle, crispy on the outside and fluffy on the inside that leaves a strong aftertaste.

The stamp designer adopted a simple and realistic style in recreating the various delicacies on the stamps with bright and vivid colours. Moreover, the stamps and stamp sheetlet are specially printed with an embossing technique that creates a stunningly three-dimensional effect for the snacks, as if putting them close at hand, allowing viewers to feast one's eyes on a veritable banquet of local delicacies.

Among the philatelic products in this issue, the most captivating must be the presentation pack, which is modelled on a pack of egg waffles. Unique and creative in appearance, the presentation pack is ingeniously designed with an element of a brown paper bag in a retro style, adding a touch of nostalgia. A collector card will also be launched at this time. The card is affixed with a set of six self-adhesive stamps. A fresh yet basic colour theme is used to highlight the exquisite stamp images, enabling everyone to recall these popular local snacks full of collective memories. In the mini-pane, two sets of stamps are arranged in a wavy design to create an aesthetically ordered pattern adorned with illustrations of a variety of nostalgic tableware and the iconic velvety smooth and fragrant Hong Kong-style milk tea, highlighting the theme of the stamp issue.

Starting from April 22, this set of special stamps and associated

philatelic products: a first day cover, mint stamps, a stamp sheetlet, a mini-pane, a presentation pack, a collector card and serviced first day covers will be placed on sale at post offices.

Information about this special stamp issue and associated philatelic products are available on the Hongkong Post Stamps website (stamps.hongkongpost.hk) or the Hongkong Post mobile app.

Local Snacks in Hong Kong



Mint Stamps.



Special Postmark.



Colour Postmark.



Stamp Sheetlet.

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Mini-pane.

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Collector Card (Front).



Collector Card (Back).

Local Snacks in Hong Kong



First Day Cover.



Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a set of 6 Stamps and date-stamped with associated special postmark.



Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a set of 6 Stamps and date-stamped with associated colour postmark.



Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a Stamp Sheetlet and date-stamped with associated special postmark.



Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a Stamp Sheetlet and date-stamped with associated colour postmark.

Local Snacks in Hong Kong



Presentation Pack (Cover).



Presentation Pack (Inside).

Red flags hoisted at some beaches

Attention TV/radio announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible:

Here is an item of interest to swimmers.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (April 8) that due to big waves, red flags have been hoisted at Stanley Main Beach, Shek O Beach and Big Wave Bay Beach in Southern District, Hong Kong Island; and Silverstrand Beach and Clear Water Bay Second Beach in Sai Kung District. Beach-goers are advised not to swim at these beaches.