# Caritas Medical Centre announces passing away of COVID-19 patient

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesperson for Caritas Medical Centre (CMC) today (February 11) announced that a patient confirmed with COVID-19 infection passed away this morning.

A 75-year-old female patient (case number: 9959) with chronic disease was admitted to CMC as a close contact of a family member who was a confirmed patient and due to the symptoms of upper respiratory tract infection. She later tested positive for COVID-19 on January 22. Her condition continued to deteriorate. She was then transferred to the Intensive Care Unit of CMC on January 23 and eventually succumbed at 3.05am this morning.

The hospital is saddened by the passing away of the patient and will offer necessary assistance to her family members.

Including the above patient, 184 COVID-19 patients have passed away in public hospitals so far.

## US Dollar Liquidity Facility tender notice

The following is issued on behalf of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority:

US Dollar Liquidity Facility tender notice:

Tender date	:	February 17, 2021 (Wednesday)
Tender submission time	:	9am to noon
Settlement date	:	February 18, 2021 (Thursday)
Repayment date	:	February 25, 2021 (Thursday)
Tenor	:	Seven Days
Amount on offer	:	US\$10,000 Million

Note: Licensed Banks interested in participating in the tender for the first time are encouraged to provide US dollar settlement instructions by email (<a href="mailto:settlementsection@hkma.gov.hk">settlementsection@hkma.gov.hk</a>) to the Hong Kong Monetary Authority's

Settlement Team in advance, preferably two days prior to the tender. Required information includes name of corresponding bank, name of final beneficiary (must be the Licensed Bank participating in the tender), and account or CHIPS number of a US dollar bank account to be settled in the US. Such information needs to be provided once only, unless there is further change.

# CE delivers Lunar New Year message (with photo/video)

Following is the translation of the Lunar New Year message delivered by the Chief Executive, Mrs Carrie Lam, today (February 11):

"A new year represents new beginnings. Having gone through an exceptionally challenging year, we all look forward to a fresh start in the new year. This year, because of the epidemic, the Government urges members of the public to reduce gatherings and enjoy a quiet Spring Festival. Yet, with technology bringing people closer together, we can extend festive greetings to relatives and friends living here and abroad and express our care for senior family members and citizens through various means.

"This year is the Year of the Ox. The ox is a symbol of diligence and perseverance. I believe that as long as we stand united and work together with perseverance, Hong Kong can certainly rise above all challenges, emerge stronger and scale new heights.

"I wish you all a harmonious, auspicious and healthy Year of the Ox."

The message is available on the Chief Executive's website (<a href="www.ceo.gov.hk/lny\_message21/eng/">www.ceo.gov.hk/lny\_message21/eng/</a>).



# Government completes enforcement actions on compulsory testing notices at three buildings in Sham Shui Po and Jordan

The Sham Shui Po District Office and the Yau Tsim Mong District Office, together with the Office of the Licensing Authority of the Home Affairs Department (HAD), relevant police districts, the Centre for Health Protection (CHP) and the Auxiliary Medical Service (AMS), conducted enforcement actions on compulsory testing notices today (February 11) at three buildings in Sham Shui Po and Jordan, which were included in compulsory testing notices earlier, respectively. The operation in Sham Shui Po started at around 7am today and ended at around 9.15am. The operation in Jordan started at around 7.15am today and ended at around 10.45am.

Starting from around 7am today, residents of 119-121, Nam Cheong Street and that of 123-125, Nam Cheong Street in Sham Shui Po, as well as residents of Man Ying Building, 2-24 Man Ying Street, Ferry Point in Jordan, were requested to provide an SMS notification received through mobile phone or related certification containing the results of COVID-19 tests, to show that they had taken such tests as required pursuant to the compulsory testing notices within the specified period issued by the Government earlier on. The Government arranged staff to verify the testing certifications of the residents at the entrances/exits of the buildings, and conducted random checks in the buildings to verify whether residents have undergone testing in compliance with the requirement.

During the operation conducted at Nam Cheong Street in Sham Shui Po, test records of around 50 residents were checked and 11 persons were found to have violated the compulsory testing notice. While during the operation conducted at Man Ying Building in Jordan, test records of over 600 residents were checked and 42 persons were found to have violated the compulsory testing notice. The Government has issued fixed penalties of \$5,000 and/or compulsory testing orders to them, requiring them to undergo testing within a specified period. Non-compliance with a compulsory testing order is an offence liable to a fine of \$25,000 and imprisonment for six months.

The Government reiterates that the aim of issuing the compulsory testing notice is to stop the spread of COVID-19 in the community as soon as possible to protect the overall public health and safety. Persons subject to testing under the compulsory testing notice should, as far as reasonably practicable, take appropriate personal disease prevention measures including wearing a mask and maintaining hand hygiene, and unless for the purpose of undergoing the specified test, stay at their place of residence and avoid going out

until the test result is ascertained as far as possible.

The Government wishes to thank the many residents who had complied with the compulsory testing notices for their co-operation to fight against the virus together. The Government will continue to enforce the law strictly. All persons subject to compulsory testing should comply with the compulsory testing notices. Any person who fails to comply with the compulsory testing notices may be liable to a fixed penalty of \$5,000. The person will also be issued with a compulsory testing order, requiring him/her to undergo testing within a specified time frame. Non-compliance with the order is an offence and the offender may be liable to a fine of \$25,000 and imprisonment for six months.

The Sham Shui Po District Office and the Yau Tsim Mong District Office are grateful for the support and co-operation by the Police, the CHP and the AMS to enable the enforcement actions to be carried out smoothly. The Government understands that the enforcement process may cause some inconvenience to the residents, but hopes that the residents can understand.

## <u>Appointments to Human Organ Transplant</u> <u>Board</u>

The Government announced today (February 11) the appointment of a new substantive member and two new panel members as well as the re-appointment of two serving substantive members, five panel members and a legal adviser to the Human Organ Transplant Board. The appointments will be effective from February 15, 2021, for a term of three years.

Serving panel member Dr Thomas Yau Chung-cheung has been appointed as a substantive member while Ms Hsu Siu-man and Professor Carmen Wong have been newly appointed as panel members.

The Secretary for Food and Health, Professor Sophia Chan, welcomed the new members. She also thanked the outgoing members for their invaluable contributions to and support for the Board all along.

Established under section 3 of the Human Organ Transplant Ordinance (Cap. 465), the Board is tasked to consider applications made for the Board's written approval to carry out restricted organ removal and/or restricted organ transplant, to receive prescribed information about transplant operations and certificates accompanying imported organs, and to perform any other functions that the Board is required or permitted to perform under the Ordinance.

As prescribed under section 3A of Cap. 465, the constitution of the

Board includes nine substantive members and 14 panel members from the medical, social work, legal and non-medical sectors.

The full membership of the Board with effect from February 15, 2021, is as follows:

### Substantive members

Miss Sandy Wong Hang-yee (Chairman)

Dr Mark Li Kin-yin (Vice-Chairman)

Mr Nicholas Chan Hiu-fung

Dr Chan Ka-lai

Ms Samantha Ko Kit-mui

Dr Raymond Lo See-kit

Ms Priscilla Wong Wai-yee

Dr Josephine Grace Wong Wing-san

Dr Thomas Yau Chung-cheung\*

#### Panel members

Dr Chan Kwok-ki

Mr Vincent Chin

Miss Louisa Chu Wai-san

Dr Joan Fok Pui-chu

Ms Hsu Siu-man\*

Mr Jason Joseph Lee Kwong-yee

Mr Lee Wing-fung

Dr Li Chak-ho

Dr Emmy Li Yuen-mei

Dr Grace Lui Chung-yan

Dr Stanley Tam Kui-fu

Dr Joyce Tang Shao-fen

Professor Carmen Wong\*

Mr Wong Tim-wai

## Legal adviser

K&L Gates

\* New appointee