<u>Tuen Mun Hospital makes public appeal</u> <u>to help locate missing patient</u>

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesperson for Tuen Mun Hospital (TMH) made the following appeal today (August 5) regarding a patient who left the hospital without notifying hospital staff:

A 35-year-old female patient left the Accident and Emergency Department (A&E) of TMH without notifying hospital staff at around 8pm last night (August 4).

Hospital staff arranged for security guards to conduct searches in the hospital and its vicinity immediately but were unable to locate the patient. TMH is very concerned about the incident and has immediately informed the patient's family and reported it to the Police. The hospital will co-operate with the Police for the search.

The patient is about 1.5 metres tall, of fat build, with short hair. She was wearing a pink top when she left the A&E.

The hospital appeals to the public to contact Tuen Mun Police Station at 3661 5800 if they know the whereabouts of the patient.