<u>Caritas Medical Centre appeals to</u> <u>public for missing patient</u>

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesman for Caritas Medical Centre (CMC) made the following appeal today (June 30) regarding a patient leaving the Accident and Emergency Department (A&E) without prior notification:

A 24-year-old female patient with chronic disease was sent to the A&E by ambulance yesterday morning (June 29) at around 7am. The patient was found leaving the hospital without prior notification at around 8.45am. CMC is very concerned about the incident. Hospital security guards were mobilised to conduct local and hospital-wide search but in vain. Then, the hospital reported to the Police immediately.

The patient is about 1.5 meters tall, thin build with black medium-short hair. She wore a black T-shirt, black jeans and a green backpack.

The hospital appeals to the public to contact Cheung Sha Wan Police Station at 3661 1644 or call 999 if they know the whereabouts of the patient.