

# HA suspends seasonal influenza service

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

Following the announcement by the Department of Health (DH) today (November 27) on the immediate suspension of the use of a batch of quadrivalent seasonal influenza vaccines (box label: R3J721V; syringe label: R3J72), the Hospital Authority (HA) spokesperson said today that the HA has informed all public hospitals and out-patient clinics to suspend using influenza vaccines of the affected batches immediately.

The HA has immediately suspended the vaccination service in all public hospitals and out-patient clinics. Meanwhile, the HA has requested the pharmaceutical company concerned to replenish the stock with other unaffected batches of influenza vaccines. The seasonal influenza vaccination service is expected to resume gradually from Saturday (December 1).

As of today, there has been no adverse reaction report related to vaccinations of the affected batches of influenza vaccines. Members of the public feeling unwell after vaccination should seek medical advice. The HA will continue to liaise closely with the Department of Health for an update on the latest situation.