<u>Hospital Authority responds to media</u> <u>enquiries on arrest of Yan Chai</u> <u>Hospital staff by Police</u>

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

In response to media enquiries on the arrest of Yan Chai Hospital staff by the Police, a spokesman for the Hospital Authority (HA) gave the following response:

Regarding the patient case on May 25, 2024, involving a four-year-old girl who developed cardiac arrest following a suturing procedure in the Accident and Emergency Department of Yan Chai Hospital (YCH), two staff members involved in the suturing procedure were arrested by the Police this morning. The staff concerned will be suspended from their duties. YCH will adhere to its prevailing human resources policies in handling the case. The HA will all along fully co-operate with the Police investigation.

The patient has been receiving treatment in the Peadiatric Intensive Care Unit at Princess Margaret Hospital since May 25, 2024. She remains in critical condition and dependent on nasogastric tube feeding and ventilatory support. The HA expresses deep concern for the patient and her family and will continue to provide appropriate treatment and support.

As legal proceeding are ongoing, it is inappropriate for the HA to make further comments on the case.