

# Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital announced hospital safety incident

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesman for Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital (PYNEH) made the following announcement today (August 19) regarding a safety incident of hospital facilities:

At around 8.15pm today, two pieces of spalling concrete, which are approximately 20 centimetres length and 30 centimetres width with three centimetres thickness, fell down along with the false ceiling in an integrated medical and geriatric male ward of PYNEH. Maintenance staff immediately arranged emergency repairs. No patients or staff were injured in the incident and patient service was not affected. As a precautionary measure, PYNEH immediately arranged to transfer patients in the affected cubicle to another cubicle.

The hospital is very concerned about the incident and has arranged safety inspections to the facilities in the ward again immediately. The hospital is investigating the cause of concrete spalling. The hospital has regular inspection of hospital facilities and the last inspection at this area was in April last year.

The hospital will report the incident to the Hospital Authority Head Office via the Advance Incident Reporting System.