

Person in custody found collapsed dies in hospital

A 42-year-old male person in custody collapsed in Tong Fuk Correctional Institution last night (April 7) and subsequently died in a public hospital after treatment today (April 8).

At 11.31pm yesterday, a correctional officer found the person in custody collapsed in the toilet of a dormitory. The correctional officer immediately called for reinforcement to apply first aid treatment to the person in custody, and a helicopter was called to send him to a public hospital for further treatment. His condition deteriorated and he was certified dead at 11.41am today.

The case has been reported to the Police. A death inquest will be held by the Coroner's Court.

The person in custody, who had a drug abuse history of more than 15 years, was sentenced to imprisonment for the offence of trafficking in a dangerous drug in February 2019.