

Person in custody found unconscious dies in hospital

A 56-year-old male person in custody who was found unconscious at Tong Fuk Correctional Institution died in a public hospital today (May 5).

The person in custody suffered from heart disease and hypertension. He required continuous medical care and follow-up at the institution hospital and a public hospital. At 6.57am today, he was found unconscious on his bed inside the institution hospital by a correctional officer. First aid treatment was immediately applied and a helicopter was called to send the person in custody to a public hospital for further treatment. His condition deteriorated and he was certified dead at 8.01am today.

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

The person in custody was sentenced to imprisonment for the offence of theft in December 2019.