

QEH appeals to public for missing patient

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesman for Queen Elizabeth Hospital (QEH) made the following appeal today (July 15) regarding a patient leaving the hospital without notification:

A 86-year-old male patient with dementia accompanied by old age home staff was sent to the Accident and Emergency Department (A&E) by ambulance at 2pm yesterday (July 14) afternoon. While awaiting for discharge after treatment, the patient left the A&E without notifying at around 6pm. The hospital deployed security guards to search within the hospital compound immediately but in vain. The hospital then reported to the Police for assistance.

The hospital is very concerned about the incident and will fully co-operate with the Police to locate the patient. The patient's family has been informed and the hospital will provide necessary assistance to the family.

The patient is about 1.6 metres tall, with white and short hair. He wore a plaid shirt with normal mobility when leaving the hospital.

The hospital appeals to the public to contact the Police or call the hospital hotline at 3506 8944 if they know the whereabouts of the patient.