

SWD launches residential respite services and emergency placement vacancy enquiry system

The Social Welfare Department (SWD) today (December 18) launched the website "Vacancy Enquiry System for Residential Respite Service for Persons with Disabilities, Residential Respite Service for the Elderly and Emergency Placement for the Elderly" (vesrrsep.swd.gov.hk).

This website facilitates the public and service referral units to check online vacancy and service information on designated residential respite places for persons with disabilities, designated residential respite places for the elderly and emergency placements for the elderly. It provides a dedicated search function for the public to look for vacancy situations of the relevant residential care units through filtering criteria such as gender, age range, type of disability/care level of the applicant, type of residential care home and location preference so as to facilitate the making of requests to the service units concerned.

To ensure that the website contains the latest information, persons-in-charge of the service units providing designated residential respite places for persons with disabilities, designated residential respite places for the elderly and emergency placements for the elderly may upload the updated vacancy information to the website at any time. The SWD will regularly remind the persons-in-charge to provide up-to-date information to the website for public access and will keep in view its usage and explore areas for improvement.