<u>Tin Shui Wai Hospital announces</u> <u>incident of physiotherapist suspected</u> <u>of being indecently assaulted</u>

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesman for Tin Shui Wai Hospital made the following statement today (August 20) regarding an incident of a physiotherapist suspected to have been indecently assaulted:

A physiotherapist was suspected to have been indecently assaulted while performing suctioning procedure for a 68-year-old male patient in a ward on August 16. The therapist reported the incident to her supervisor immediately and decided to report to the Police yesterday (August 19). A man was subsequently arrested by the Police in the ward.

The hospital is highly concerned about the incident and expressed sympathy to the therapist concerned. The hospital has provided support to her. The hospital resolutely adopts a zero-tolerance attitude to this incident, strongly condemns indecent acts, and will follow up seriously and fully co-operate with the Police investigation.

The hospital has reported the incident to the Hospital Authority Head Office via the Advance Incident Reporting System.