

Unconscious person in custody dies in hospital

A person in custody was found unconscious in Siu Lam Psychiatric Centre and died in a public hospital today (May 18).

The 67-year-old male person in custody was suffering from diabetes mellitus and hypertension, and required continuous medical care and follow-up at the institution hospital and a public hospital. At 1.22am today, a correctional officer found him unconscious on his patient bed in the institution hospital. First aid treatment was immediately applied and an ambulance was called to send him to a public hospital for further treatment. His condition deteriorated and he was certified dead at 3.01am 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 convicted for the offence of wounding with intent and detained under a hospital order for treatment in 1979.