<u>United Christian Hospital appeals to</u> <u>public about missing patient</u>

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

A spokesperson for United Christian Hospital made the following appeal today (March 5) regarding a patient leaving the hospital without notification:

A 45-year-old female patient was sent by ambulance to the Accident and Emergency Department of United Christian Hospital for treatment at around 9am today. After consultation and pending further assessment, the patient left the Accident and Emergency Department without notification.

Security guards were deployed to search for the patient within the hospital compound and in the vicinity. The hospital also made a report to the Police for assistance. The patient is yet to be located.

The hospital is very concerned about the incident and will fully cooperate with the Police in order to locate the patient.

The patient is about 1.6 metres tall, with long black hair and of medium build. CCTV footage showed that the patient was wearing a bluish purple jacket, black trousers and white shoes when she left. The hospital appeals to the public to contact the Hospital at 3949 4002 or the Police if they know the whereabouts of the patient.

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