

Dear All,

The Centre for Health Protection of the Department of Health is today (January 29) investigating a confirmed human case of avian influenza A(H7N9) in Hong Kong affecting a man aged 75. This is the fourth confirmed human case of avian influenza A(H7N9) in Hong Kong. Please access the link below for the press release for details -

[http://www.chp.gov.hk/en/view\\_content/33281.html](http://www.chp.gov.hk/en/view_content/33281.html)  
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In view of human cases of avian influenza A(H7N9) confirmed in Hong Kong and multiple cases reported in the Mainland, the activity of the virus is expected to be higher in the winter season.

Members of the public who are planning to travel outside Hong Kong during [Lunar New Year](#) should maintain good personal, environmental and food hygiene at all times. They are advised not to visit live poultry markets. Avoid contact with poultry, birds and their droppings. If contact has been made, thoroughly wash hands with soap. Travellers, especially those returning from avian influenza-affected areas and provinces with fever or respiratory symptoms, should immediately wear masks, seek medical attention and reveal their travel history to doctors.

We would like to solicit your support to disseminate the information to colleagues, work associates and business partners so that they would be kept informed of the situation and to adopt preventive measures.

Thank you very much.