



## Survival Phrases S1

### Asking for Medical Assistance in Cantonese

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## Traditional Chinese

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唔該帶我去醫院。  
唔該帶我去睇醫生。  
我要去藥房。  
有冇處方？

## Jyutping

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m4 goi1 daai3 ngo5 heoi3 ji1 jyun2 .  
m4 goi1 daai3 ngo5 heoi3 tai2 ji1 sang1 .  
ngo5 jiu3 heoi3 joek6 fong4 .  
jau5 mou5 cyu2 fong1?

## English

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Please take me to the hospital.  
Please take me to see the doctor.  
I need to go to the pharmacy.  
Do you have the medical prescription?

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## Vocabulary

Traditional	Jyutping	English
醫院	ji1 jyun2	hospital
醫生	ji1 sang1	doctor
睇	tai2	to watch/see
處方	cyu5 fong1	prescription
藥房	joek6 fong4	pharmacy

## Vocabulary Sample Sentences

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呢度有冇醫院？                      ni1 dou6 jau5 mou5 ji1 jyun2    Is there a hospital near here?  
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我要睇醫生。  
不如睇戲？  
醫生俾咗處方我。

ngo5 jiu3 tai2 ji1 sang1。  
bat1 jyu4 tai2 hei3?  
ji1 sang1 bei2 zo2 cyu2 fong1  
ngo5 。  
ni1 dou6 jau5 mou5 joe6  
fong4 ?

I need to see a doctor.  
How about (we) see a movie?  
The doctor gave me a  
prescription.  
Is there a pharmacy near  
here?

呢度有冇藥房？

## Cultural Insight

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### Quick Tip: 1

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The quality of medical care in Hong Kong is excellent but expensive for tourists who are not qualified to get a government subsidy. In cases of emergency, treatment is guaranteed, but you will be billed later if you cannot pay immediately. As a tourist, you are required to pay \$570 for using emergency services (\$100 for Hong Kong residents). Waiting times at hospital emergency rooms can be lengthy for non emergency patients, since people are prioritised according to their situation. If you have a problem making payment in public hospitals, you can apply for financial assistance but you will need to prove your economic status to social workers based in the hospital.