



## COVID-19 Update for The Perley and Rideau Veterans' Health Centre

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(as of 9 am)

Today, The Perley and Rideau Veterans' Health Centre welcomed back two staff members who recovered from COVID-19. We thank them for diligently following all safety protocols and we look forward to sharing more good news in the coming days.

In the last 24 hours there have been no new positive cases of COVID-19 among residents or staff.

To date, 34 staff members have tested positive for COVID-19 and 32 are self-isolating at home. We wish each person a speedy and full recovery. Since the start of the pandemic, there have been more than 1,000 tests for COVID-19 on staff.

There are no new positive test results among residents. Twenty residents have contracted the virus and six residents have passed away. Not all of the deaths have been attributed to COVID-19. There are 14 residents being cared for on the isolation unit in the Ottawa building. In total, there have been more than 770 COVID-19 tests on residents.

The Command Centre Team meets daily to respond to this pandemic, to adapt plans and confront new challenges as they arise.

“Our concerted efforts to manage this outbreak are showing promising signs,” says CEO Akos Hoffer. “Now is the time to hardwire our infection prevention and control practices both within the Perley Rideau and throughout our community. Thank you to everyone for your commitment to social distancing and other measures implemented to protect our residents and staff.”

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The Perley and Rideau Veterans' Health Centre is one of the largest and most progressive long-term care homes in Ontario. In addition to the 450 long-term and short-stay care beds for Veterans and members of the public, the Perley Rideau campus includes a Seniors Village with independent-living apartments for 200 seniors. It employs a staff of more than 850.

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