



One Resident Death at The Perley and Rideau Veterans' Health Centre

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(as of 9 am)

On this 25th day of COVID-19 outbreak, we regret to inform you that a community resident in the Ottawa building's isolation unit has died. During this pandemic, 20 residents have tested positive for COVID-19 and eight have passed away. Not all the deaths can be attributed to the virus. Now that three residents have recovered and returned to their rooms in the Gatineau building, nine residents are receiving enhanced care in the isolation unit.

This weekend, two more staff members completed isolation and returned to work. Of the total 34 staff members who have tested positive for COVID-19, 10 have completed the required protocols and returned to work. Twenty-four staff members continue to self-isolate at home. Perley Rideau's employee health team monitors their conditions and supports them on the road to recovery. We look forward to welcoming these staff members back to the Perley Rideau.

As part of an aggressive outbreak management program, a mass testing campaign of more than 1780 tests on residents and staff was launched to detect the virus, including individuals who are asymptomatic.

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

“On behalf of the entire Perley Rideau family, we express our deepest sympathies to the resident's family, friends, caregivers and the wider community,” says CEO Akos Hoffer. “The entire Perley Rideau team is steadfast in our determination to stop community spread of this virus.”

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