Perley Rideau

**The Perley and Rideau
Veterans' Health Centre**

Two Staff Members Test Positive for COVID-19 at The Perley and Rideau Veterans' Health Centre

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Two staff members – a member of the Support Services team and a frontline care provider – today tested positive for COVID-19. As a result, the Perley Rideau is now on a facility-wide outbreak.

Since an outbreak was declared for the Ottawa building on June 3rd, there have been a total of nine positive tests for COVID-19 at the region's largest long-term care home.

Six staff members have tested positive for the virus. We wish each of them a full recovery and look forward to welcoming them back.

Three residents have tested positive for COVID-19 and one has passed away. The death cannot be attributed to COVID-19 at this time. Two Veteran residents are receiving enhanced care in the Ottawa building's COVID-19 unit.

Although the outbreak delays the start of outdoor visits between family members and residents, the team continues to plan so that this program can be ready to support one 30-minute visit per week for each resident after the end of the outbreak. The outbreak could be declared over as early as July 1st.

"I appreciate that this is not the news our community wants to hear and that many of our friends and supporters are disappointed," says Akos Hoffer, CEO. "Please know that our community is united and focused in our efforts to stop the spread of this virus."

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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 care beds for Veterans and members of the public, the Perley Rideau campus includes a Seniors Village with 139 independent-living apartments. It employs a staff of more than 850.

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