



One Resident Tests Positive for COVID-19 at The Perley and Rideau Veterans' Health Centre

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A community resident living on Gatineau 2 South today tested positive for COVID-19. Staff are taking every precaution to ensure the safety of residents and staff. The team continues to investigate this new case.

During this pandemic, 21 residents have tested positive for COVID-19 and nine have passed away. Not all the deaths can be attributed to the virus. Three residents have recovered and nine residents are receiving enhanced care in the Ottawa building's isolation unit.

One more Perley Rideau staff member completed their isolation today, bringing to 21 the total number of staff who have recovered from COVID-19. In total, 34 staff members tested positive for COVID-19 and 13 individuals remain self-isolating at home. We wish each of them a full recovery and, after completing the Ministry required steps, we look forward to welcoming them back to the Perley Rideau community.

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.

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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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