



## Fifth Staff Recovers from COVID-19 to Return to The Perley and Rideau Veterans' Health Centre

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(as of 9 am)

Another Perley Rideau staff member completed isolation and returned to work today. Of the 34 staff members who have tested positive for COVID-19, five have completed the required protocols and returned to work. Twenty-nine staff members continue to self-isolate at home. We wish each of them a full recovery and we look forward to welcoming them back to the Perley Rideau community.

There have been no new positive test results for COVID-19 among residents or staff in the past 72 hours.

During this pandemic, 20 residents have tested positive for COVID-19 and seven have passed away. Not all the deaths can be attributed to the virus. There are 13 residents receiving enhanced care in the Ottawa building's isolation unit. We are hopeful that we will have good news about our residents that we will share on May 8th.

As part of an aggressive outbreak management program, a mass testing campaign was launched to detect the virus and identify those who have the virus including those who are not exhibiting symptoms. To date, there have been more than 1780 tests for COVID-19 on residents and staff.

The Command Centre Team meets daily to respond to this pandemic, to 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 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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