



## Seven Staff Members Recover from COVID-19 at The Perley and Rideau Veterans' Health Centre

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Seven additional Perley Rideau staff members have recovered from COVID-19, bringing to 28 the number of team members who have recovered following positive tests for the virus. In total, 34 staff members tested positive for COVID-19 and six individuals remain self-isolating at home. We wish them full and speedy recoveries. After completing the Ministry required steps, we look forward to welcoming them back.

The Perley Rideau closely adheres to the Ministry of Health's May 2nd guidance for testing and clearance of contacts of cases or individuals suspected or confirmed to have COVID-19. For reference, here's the link to the Ministry of Health's COVID-19 Quick Reference Public Health Guidance on Testing and Clearance: <https://bit.ly/2Lt3Wrn>

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.

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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