



One Staff Member Tests Positive for COVID-19 at The Perley and Rideau Veterans' Health Centre September 11, 2020 – Ottawa, Ontario

The Perley and Rideau Veterans' Health Centre today received confirmation that a staff member working in the administration department in the Health Centre has tested positive for COVID-19.

The individual is self-isolating at home. We wish the individual a full recovery. The staff member was tested as part of the government mandated regular two-week testing of staff that is administered by Perley Rideau staff on-site.

Along with one other staff member and one resident, there are a total of three positive cases of COVID-19 in the Perley Rideau community at this time. The two staff members are self-isolating in their homes and the resident from the Gatineau building is being cared for in the 20-bed isolation unit in the Ottawa building.

The Gatineau building is on outbreak. In consultation with Ottawa Public Health, the Ottawa and Rideau buildings are not on outbreak and visits can continue. Visitors will continue to be screened and must follow all safety protocols.

The Command Centre team is closely monitoring this development and the team commits to provide frequent updates to our community.

To access important information for residents, families, caregivers, private service providers and volunteers, please visit the Resumption of Visits webpage: <http://www.perleyrideau.ca/visiting-during-a-pandemic>

"During these difficult times, it's essential that we stay united, that we continue to work to the best of our abilities and that we keep lifting one another's spirits," says Akos Hoffer, CEO. "Together, I'm confident we will get through this."

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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.