



## One Resident with COVID-19 Dies at The Perley and Rideau Veterans' Health Centre

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(as of 9 am)

On this 31st day of COVID-19 outbreak at the Perley Rideau, we regret to inform you that a community resident in the Ottawa building's isolation unit has died. Our deepest condolences go out to the resident's family, friends and caregivers. During this pandemic, 21 residents have tested positive for COVID-19 and 10 have passed away. Not all the deaths can be attributed to the virus. Three residents have recovered and eight residents are receiving enhanced care in the Ottawa building's isolation unit.

Two additional Perley Rideau staff members have recovered from COVID-19, bringing to 30 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 four 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 COVID-19 Quick Reference Public Health Guidance on Testing and Clearance: <https://bit.ly/2Lt3Wrn>

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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