



Statement from Perley Health regarding weapons discovery

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The health and safety of our residents, tenants, staff and visitors – all community members -- is the Number One priority at Perley Health.

Several weapons were discovered today in two separate residences on our Russell Road campus.

Upon their discovery, Perley Health staff immediately secured these locations and contacted Ottawa Police.

What we do know is that three (3) handguns and two (2) knives, were found in one of Perley Health's long-term care rooms.

Upon entering a second residence as part of a security check, staff found 14 handguns and rifles in an unlocked cabinet, a quantity of ammunition, other firearms paraphernalia and knives. A locked gun cabinet was also found in the second unit which has been unoccupied for several days while the apartment tenant has been hospitalized.

Ottawa Police are leading the investigation.

The safety of the entire Perley Health community is paramount and we are reviewing all policies related to possession and storage of weapons onsite.

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