



One Staff Member Tests Positive for COVID-19 at The Perley and Rideau Veterans' Health Centre

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- The Perley and Rideau Veterans' Health Centre today received confirmation that a member of the Support Services team working in the Rideau building has tested positive for COVID-19.
- The staff member donned the appropriate PPE - mask and a face shield -- as directed by safety protocols.
- Additional testing is not required for residents, families, doctors, staff, volunteers and contracted service providers.
- The staff member last worked on February 21 and tested positive on February 26th.
- The individual is experiencing mild symptoms and is in good spirits while self-isolating at home.
- After consultation with Ottawa Public Health, an outbreak has not been declared because the staff member did not work at the Perley Rideau during the period of communicability.
- The Command Centre team is closely monitoring this development and will provide frequent updates to our community and the public.
- The members of the Perley Rideau community are asked to continue to follow all safety protocols along with the rapid testing requirements, as directed by the Ontario Ministry of Health.

Watch for updates on the Perley Rideau's COVID-19 Updates webpage: <http://www.perleyrideau.ca/public-announcement>.

**Questions may be directed to Jay Innes, Director of Communications, via
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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.