

Statement

Department of Health monitoring situation at Embassy West Senior Living in Ottawa

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Iqaluit, Nunavut

Nunavut's Minister of Health, John Main, today released the following statement:

“I want to assure Nunavummiut, especially those with family members at Embassy West Senior Living in Ottawa, that the Department of Health is aware and monitoring the cases of COVID-19 among staff at the facility.

As minister, I have confidence in Embassy West's ability to manage these cases. To date, no residents have tested positive and since the onset of the pandemic Embassy West has successfully kept COVID out of the resident population.

Embassy West has implemented strict COVID-19 protocols, which include limiting visitors, enhanced screening and testing of staff and clients, and to ensure clients remain isolated.

Three Inuktitut interpreters are onsite to ensure that our Elders understand the situation and what needs to be done to ensure their safety.

While the management of this situation is under the purview of Embassy West and the local public health authorities, we will continue to monitor the situation and offer any support we can to aid our Elders.”

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