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## First COVID-19 for Riverside Long-Term Care Resident

Today, the first COVID-19 Moderna vaccines were administered to long-term care home residents in the Rainy River district.

Noreen Robertson, a 88-year-old resident of Rainycrest Long Term Care Home in Fort Frances, was the first to receive the COVID-19 vaccine in the West Wing, and 94-year-old, Delsie Cumming, was the first recipient to receive the COVID-19 vaccine in the East Wing.

As part of Phase One of Ontario's three-phase vaccine implementation plan Riverside's LTC residents at Rainycrest who have completed consents began receiving vaccines this morning. Residents at Emo Health Centre and Rainy River Health Centre will be receiving vaccines tomorrow, Thursday, January 28, 2021. Riverside received a limited number of vaccines, meaning that not all residents will receive their vaccine at this time. We anticipate the next vaccine shipment for residents will arrive next week. We look forward to initiating vaccination of our long-term care staff shortly after.

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Riverside Health Care is a fully accredited multi-site, multi-function health care system serving the residents of the Rainy River District. Riverside Health Care operates hospitals in Fort Frances, Emo and Rainy River, and Rainyterst Long-Term Care Home and La Verendrye Non Profit Supportive Housing in Fort Frances. Each community is also served by Riverside Community Counselling which provides mental health and addictions services, Community Support Services through Rainycrest and Riverside Valley Diabetes Education Centre which provides important chronic disease management programming. For more information, please visit riversidehealthcare.ca