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## IIU investigating serious injuries during Manitoba First Nations Police Service pursuit

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) is investigating circumstances surrounding a serious injury sustained by an male youth during a police pursuit.

According to a Manitoba First Nations Police Service (MFNPS) notification, on July 18, officers on patrol on the 300 block of Kickemaskanow in Opaskwayak Cree Nation observed a vehicle travelling southbound at an excessive speed. Officers activated emergency lights and sirens and attempted to pull the vehicle over, but lost sight of it as it was travelling too fast. Officers later located the vehicle, which had already hit a house on the corner of Kichemaskanow and Amisk Crescent.

Police approached a male youth in the vehicle and observed blood on his face. The youth also complained of a sore arm. EMS was requested and the youth was transported to The Pas Hospital, where it was determined he suffered a broken arm. He was later transferred to Winnipeg for treatment for the same injury.

As a broken arm is defined as a serious injury under IIU regulations, the IIU is mandated to investigate.

The investigation is ongoing so no further details will be provided at this time.

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