

## **IIU concludes investigation into man's death in police presence in Tadoule Lake**

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) has concluded its investigation into a man's death in police presence in Tadoule Lake.

On January 28, 2022, the RCMP notified the IIU of an incident that occurred earlier that day. According to the notification, on January 27, 2022, RCMP officers responded to reports of multiple assaults and a male with a firearm in Tadoule Lake. Officers attended and were unable to locate the male suspect. On January 28, 2022, RCMP received information the male was outside a nearby residence. Officers attended and located the suspect, who was in possession of a firearm. While officers were on scene, the male suffered a self-inflicted gunshot wound. The male was transported to the nursing station by the RCMP where he was pronounced deceased.

The IIU assumed responsibility for the investigation into the death of the male in accordance with section 65(1) of the Police Services Act. As the matter involved a fatality, the IIU also requested a civilian monitor from the Manitoba Police Commission.

Information obtained by IIU investigators included:

- call history;
- RCMP members' notes and narratives;
- Forensic Identification Service reports;
- photographs of scene and exhibits;
- civilian witness statements;
- occurrence report; and
- autopsy and toxicology reports.

IIU investigators also interviewed four witness officers and three civilian witnesses.

The civilian director found no evidence to support any conclusion that any police officer contributed to the individual's death in any way, either by action or inaction. Therefore, there are no grounds to justify the designation of any officer as a subject officer.

Therefore, there is no need for further investigation and, accordingly, this matter is now closed. The civilian director's complete report is available online at [www.iumanitoba.ca](http://www.iumanitoba.ca).

The details of this investigation were first announced on January 31, 2022.

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