

## **IIU investigating injury of adult male while in custody in Long Plain First Nation**

The Independent Investigation Unit of Manitoba (IIU) is investigating the circumstances surrounding an adult man who sustained injuries while in custody in Long Plain First Nation.

On Jan. 29, the Long Plain detachment of the Manitoba First Nations Police Service (MFNPS) notified the IIU of an incident that occurred on Jan. 24 at 3:12 p.m. According to the notification, members of the MFNPS responded to a call for service in Long Plain First Nation regarding a physical altercation. An adult male was taken to the Long Plain detachment. While in custody, the adult male was agitated and threatened to harm himself. As officers entered the cell, a struggle with the male began and a use of force encounter occurred. The male later complained of dizziness and was taken to Portage District General Hospital, where it was determined that he had a suffered a facial fracture.

The civilian director has determined it is in the public interest for the IIU to investigate.

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

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