

July 31, 2023

Case Number: 2023-0042

IIU investigating death following detention in Fisher Branch

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) is investigating the death of a male following his detention at the RCMP detachment in Fisher Branch.

On July 28, 2023, the RCMP reported an incident to the IIU that occurred on July 26, 2023, at approximately 12:32 a.m. in Peguis. According to the notification, a male was found incapacitated on a road and was arrested by First Nation safety officers under the Intoxicated Persons Detention Act. He was transported to Fisher Branch RCMP and lodged in cells by the RCMP. At approximately 2:15 a.m., the male indicated he needed medical attention. He was assessed by EMS, taken to hospital in Gimli, and subsequently to Health Sciences Centre Winnipeg, where he was later pronounced deceased.

The IIU has assumed responsibility for this investigation in accordance with Sec. 65(4) of the Police Services Act.

As this matter involves a fatality, a request for a civilian monitor will be made to the Manitoba Police Commission.

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

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