

IIU investigating medical incident after police custody in Steinbach

The Independent Investigation Unit of Manitoba (IIU) is investigating circumstances surrounding a medical incident following the detention of an adult male that occurred on Oct. 4.

On Oct. 5, the Steinbach Royal Mounted Canadian Police (RCMP) reported an incident to the IIU that occurred at 7 a.m. that same day. According to the notification, an adult male was detained and held in custody after being found blocking traffic and lying on the ground on Oct. 4. On Oct. 5 the male was released from RCMP custody at 5:30 a.m. Within a few hours, RCMP responded to a report from Emergency Medical Services (EMS) the same adult male had been located in medical distress in the 100 block of Penfeld Drive. The male is currently receiving treatment at Grace Hospital in Winnipeg.

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

Witnesses or other individuals who have information or video footage that may assist this investigation are asked to contact the IIU toll free at 1-844-667-6060.

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

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