

April 12, 2021

IIU investigating allegation of serious injury by WPS officers

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) is investigating an allegation of a serious injury sustained by an adult male by Winnipeg Police Service (WPS).

On April 7, 2021, the Law Enforcement Review Agency (LERA) advised the WPS they had received information that indicated a male, who was in attendance during an arrest by WPS of another individual on November 9, 2020, had suffered a fractured humerus.

That same day, WPS notified the IIU of the incident, which occurred on Boyd Avenue. According to the notification received from the WPS, officers received a call for service to have two individuals removed from a residence. Officers attended the residence and subsequently arrested one male. On April 7 WPS received information from LERA regarding the second individual in attendance who sustained the fractured humerus.

As a fractured humerus is defined as a serious injury under the IIU regulations, the IIU is mandated 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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