

Statistical Report

	2019-20	2018-19		2019-20	2018-19
No. of Intake Referrals	422	436	Status Of Babies		
Community Follow-Up Families Served	86	97	Babies with healthy birth weight (over 5.5 lbs.)	90%	94%
Occupancy – Villa Rosa (25 beds)			No. of births	31	36
Admissions	70	79	Age Of Residents		
Average Days of Stay	133	128	12 to 14	1	0
Occupancy Rate	78%	80%	15 to 18	9	17
Residence Before Admission			19 to 25	22	22
Winnipeg	85%	79%	26+	22	18
Outside of Winnipeg	15%	21%	Occupancy – Post Natal House		
Nationality			Admissions	10	10
Non-Indigenous	7%	18%	Average Days of Stay	213	231
Métis	19%	25%	Occupancy Rate	73%	79%
Other/Unknown	11%	2%	Age Of Residents In Post Natal House		
Indigenous	63%	54%	17 to 18	0	2
• Living on First Nation 2 out of 34			19 to 25	5	7
• Living off First Nation 29 out of 34			26+	5	1

Executive Director & Chairperson’s Report 2019-2020

Although the fiscal year in this Annual Report only represents the beginning of the COVID-19 Pandemic, I wanted to bring the community up to date on how Villa Rosa fared during this time.

In March, in response to COVID-19, Villa Rosa shut its doors to visitors and new residents. All but a few essential staff began working from home and a whole new reality set in for all of us. Keeping up with the almost hourly changes of rules, regulations and health directives was challenging, but both the staff and residents of Villa Rosa shone like never before.

Creativity was the key, as staff designed new protocols, came up with innovative ways to help our residents understand COVID-19 and ways to encourage them to stay inside and be safe. A lot of candy, chips and pop were consumed as prizes for fun activities in the evening – something we NEVER normally serve at Villa Rosa!

Staff working at home tackled new technology, figuring out how to have meetings on Zoom, and videotaping themselves presenting our various programs so residents could learn virtually. New programs such as Domestic Violence, Handling Conflict, Anxiety, and Mindfulness were created. We look forward to piloting them this summer.

At the end of March, we realized we were almost out of formula and put out a call for donations on Facebook. The community responded overnight, and we were so happy to receive an astonishing amount of formula over the next number of weeks – many times just left at our front door anonymously. Thank you, Winnipeg, for being so generous and caring.

The most positive part of the whole experience was the amazing group of women that were living at Villa Rosa. Being pregnant or having a newborn during this time was scary, and it was wonderful to watch the group pull together and become a family. As the weeks went on, instead of moving on into the community with their babies, many women opted to stay inside the cocoon of safety created here. We had a house FULL of babies and only a few staff, but everyone helped each other and it was an unforgettable experience for all.

Candace Trussler, Board Chair
 Kathy Strachan, Executive Director

