

ARCS: 292-30 File: HTH-2013-00030

March 27, 2013

Sent via email:

Dear

Re: Request for Access to Records Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA)

I am writing further to your request received by the Ministry of Health. Your request as per your February 22, 2013, clarifications is for:

- A breakdown of the various funding available for mental health services/programs in B.C. under the fiscal budget 2012-2013.

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. The ministry does not generally allocate funds specifically to B.C. mental health services. It allocates funding to health authorities to deliver various programs and services. Health authorities are responsible for allocating the funding they receive to specific programs across the continuum of care, including mental health, in accordance with the health needs of their population.

For your convenience, the ministry has included in the records a list of web links to the 2012/13 service plans available on health authorities' websites. The service plans contain budgets relating to the Mental Health and Substance Use sector.

Please note that some information in the records is marked 'not responsive' as it does not respond to the wording and/or the date range of your request. Your file is now closed.

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Ministry of Citizens' Services and Open Government Shared Services BC Information Access Operations Mailing Address: PO Box 9569 Stn Prov Govt Victoria BC V8W 9K1

Website: http://www.gov.bc.ca/citz/iao/ Telephone: 250-387-1321 Fax: 250-387-9843 These records will be published on the BC Government's Open Information website a minimum of 72 hours after it is released electronically or a minimum of five business days after it has been released by mail in hardcopy. To find out more about Open Information, please access the Open Information website at: <u>http://www.openinfo.gov.bc.ca/ibc/index.page</u>

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Hema Paupiah, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250 387-1805. This number can be reached toll-free by calling 604 660-7867 from Vancouver or 1 800 663-7867 from elsewhere in BC, and asking to be transferred to 250 387-1805.

You have the right to ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review this decision. I have enclosed information on the review and complaint process.

Sincerely,

On behalf of: Maxine Vanzetta, Manager Health / Education Team Information Access Operations

Enclosures

How to Request a Review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact the analyst assigned to your file. The analyst's name and telephone number are listed in the attached letter.

Pursuant to section 52 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIPPA), you may ask the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review any decision, act, or failure to act with regard to your request under FOIPPA.

Please note that you have 30 business days to file your review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner. In order to request a review please write to:

Information and Privacy Commissioner P.O. Box 9038 Stn Prov Govt 4th Floor, 947 Fort Street Victoria BC V8W 9A4 Telephone: 250 387-5629 Fax: 250 387-1696

If you request a review, please provide the Commissioner's Office with:

- 1. A copy of your original request;
- 2. A copy of our response; and
- 3. The reasons or grounds upon which you are requesting the review.