



ARCS: 292- 30
File: HTH-2013-00104

June 26, 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. You narrowed your request on April 19, 2013 through conversation and/or email with Maxine Vanzetta, Manager, Information Access Operations. Your request is for:

“The costs of the investigation into the so-called health data privacy breach that occurred in 2012; Costs should include both the salaries and benefits of the investigators and any other staff recruited to help with the investigation, and the amounts paid to both in-house and external legal counsel, including costs paid to the Vancouver law firm of Taylor, Jordan, and Chafetz. Date range is March 28, 2012 to April 13, 2013.”

On May 28, 2013, the Ministry responded to your request, withholding some information in the records under ss. 14 and 19 FOIPPA.

On June 6, 2013, you further clarified your request with Information Access Operations, specifically you are seeking access to not only the costs associated with regular employees but any contracted staff involved in the investigation. As a result of this clarification, the Ministry widened their search efforts which resulted in 27 additional pages of records being provided to you.

Please find enclosed a copy of the additional records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld pursuant to section(s) 13 (Policy advice or recommendations), 15 (Disclosure harmful to law enforcement), 19 (Disclosure harmful to individual or public safety), 22 (Disclosure harmful to personal privacy).

A complete copy of FOIPPA is available online at:

http://www.bclaws.ca/EPLibraries/bclaws_new/document/ID/freeside/96165_00

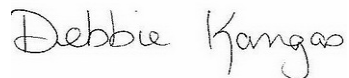
Your file is now closed.

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: <http://www.openinfo.gov.bc.ca/ibc/index.page>

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Maxine Vanzetta, Manager, Information Access Operations, at (250) 356-7349. This number can be reached toll-free by calling from Vancouver, 604-660-2421, or from elsewhere in BC, 1-800-663-7867 and asking to be transferred to (250) 356-7349.

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,



For:
Maxine Vanzetta, Manager
Health / Education Team
Information Access Operations

Enclosures

<p>How to Request a Review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner</p>
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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
PO 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.