

ARCS: 292- 30 File: HTH-2013-00033

August 7, 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 is for:

Information in relation to the Canada Community Health Survey (CCHS) conducted by Stats Canada. Specifically:

• What information was collected through the survey and the purpose for which the Ministry used that information;

- Any agreements and/or policy governing the collection, use and disclosure of the data generated from the CCHS survey.
- What information was disclosed without authorization, who, the information was disclosed to, and how that occurred. (not specific details, just the kind of information disclosed)

• Any agreements, policies or directives regarding data linking of the CCHS data with other information in the custody of the Ministry.

• Designation of the CCHS data (pursuant to E-health Act or FOIPPA)

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Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld pursuant to section 22 (Disclosure harmful to personal privacy) of FOIPPA. A complete copy of FOIPPA is available online at:

## http://www.bclaws.ca/EPLibraries/bclaws\_new/document/ID/freeside/96165\_00

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Mailing Address: PO Box 9569 Stn Prov Govt Victoria BC V8W 9K1

Website: <u>http://www.gov.bc.ca/citz/iao/</u> Telephone: 250-387-1321 Fax: 250-387-9843 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: <u>http://www.openinfo.gov.bc.ca/ibc/index.page</u>

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Debbie Kangas, the analyst assigned to your request, 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,

Debbie Kongos

for 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 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.