

ARCS: 292- 30 File: HTH-2014-00199

August 14, 2014

Sent via email:

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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:

All unpaid open/uncashed/unreconciled cheques/warrants and incomplete or unsuccessful electronic payment attempts made by the Ministry of Health in payment to others such as EFT, ACH, wire transfers, etc. specifically records that meet the following criteria: the outstanding obligation is for an amount greater than \$2500.00; the obligation has been outstanding for a period of 6 months or longer; the payee retains the rights to claim the funds; indicate or eliminate any cheques that have been or are presently being issued. The date range is January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2013.

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

http://www.bclaws.ca/civix/document/id/complete/statreg/96165_00

Please note that cheques issued before the timeframe of April 1, 2012 to December 31, 2013 are no longer considered outstanding as per government's core policy and procedures (http://www.fin.gov.bc.ca/ocg/fmb/manuals/CPM/CPMtoc.htm) and any confirmation of obligations beyond this point must be determined on an individual basis.

Your file with the Ministry of Health is now closed.

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

Website: <u>www.gov.bc.ca/freedomofinformation</u> Telephone: 250-387-1321 Fax: 250-387-9843

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You directed your request to multiple public bodies. Please await responses to each of your requests before considering government's response to be complete.

These records will be published on the BC Government's Open Information website a minimum of 72 hours after electronic release or a minimum of five business days after release 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 Ardys Baker, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250-387-1805. 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 250-387-1805.

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,

Maxine Vanzetta

Maxine Vanzetta, Manager Health / Education Team Information Access Operations

Enclosure

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.