



ARCS: 292-30
File: HTH-2016-61019

June 14, 2016

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:

Regarding the October 2015 announcement from the Vancouver Coastal Health Authority that "Hey-way'-noqu' Healing Circle for Addictions Society will be closing its doors as of November 27, 2015 due to an external audit ordered by VCH in July 2015 in which the organization underwent an examination of finances, program delivery/outcomes, and governance/procedures and found serious irregularities and concerns - VCH considered these to be serious breaches of contract, which undermined its trust in Hey-way'-noqu' to continue providing services on their behalf: Records, briefing notes, memos, correspondence, reports, etc. on such problems with the "Hey-way'-noqu' Healing Circle" as found in that audit, and the termination of the contract and the consequences, and the financial loss and risks to the B.C. taxpayers, criminality, etc. (Date Range for Record Search: From 01/01/2015 To 03/07/2016)

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld pursuant to section(s) 13 (Policy advice or recommendations) and 22 (Disclosure harmful to personal privacy) of FOIPPA. A complete copy of FOIPPA is available online at:

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

Please note that upon consultation with Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH), it was discovered that VCH's draft and final audit reports have been provided to you in your FOI request to VCH. Those duplicate records have been removed. Your file is now closed.

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These records will be published on the BC Government's Open Information website a minimum of five business days after release. To find out more about Open Information, please access the Open Information website at: www.gov.bc.ca/openinformation

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Dallas Yuan, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250 387-4383. 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 250 387-4383.

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,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Maxine Vanzetta". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Maxine Vanzetta, Manager
Health / Education / MSDSI 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.