

ARCS: 292-30 File: HTH-2017-72262

September 18, 2017

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:

For the fiscal years 2011-2012, 2012-2013, 2013-2014, 2014-2015, 2015-2016 and 2016-2017, in a format similar to HTH-2016-63456, a detailed facilities report/inventory for all publicly funded mental health and substance use beds/units, including: Type/classification/client category of bed/unit; Legislation it falls under e.g. CCALA, Residential Tenancy Act, etc.; The number of beds/units by facility/provider; Ownership - non-profit, for-profit, public; Health Authority region; Municipality; Funding source if available; Client volume broken down by absolute client count and on a per capita basis; Clarification of whether any of these beds/spaces are also counted in BC Housing's annual count/inventory, and which ones.

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/civix/document/id/complete/statreg/96165\_00

The Ministry has also noted that:

• Not all data for this request is available at the Ministry of Health; data is not available for the March 2017 MHSU Beds Inventory as this has not yet been finalized. The Ministry

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- recommends submitting a further request in late September 2017 as the March 2017 report is expected to be complete at that time.
- Data for client volume is not currently available in the Ministry databases; health authorities may be able to provide this information.
- Matching to the BC Housing annual count was not explicitly done for this request as the data collected in the MHSU Beds Inventory is at a point in time (March 31st) and not annual counts. Health authorities report beds in BC Housing operated facilities where the health authority provides the funding whereas BC Housing funded beds/units are reported in the BC Housing tab of the reports.

Your file is now closed.

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: <a href="www.gov.bc.ca/openinformation">www.gov.bc.ca/openinformation</a>

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Lauren Lemieux, the analyst assigned to your request, at 778 698-2672. 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 778 698-2672.

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, Manager

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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
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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.