

File: 292-40/HTH-2018-84502

October 3, 2018

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 July 10, 2018 through email with Melissa Boyd. You requested:

Refreshed 3 Year Plan for surgical and diagnostic services strategy; Provincial Surgical Executive Committee meeting minutes; Provincial surgical and diagnostic strategy monitoring reports (including, but not limited to, the 3 "Year Plan for Surgical Services - Health Authority Implementation Status: Issues/Barriers/Successes" reports); Progress/implementation documents for five Hip and Knee Surgical Services Programs (central intake, assessment, triage, first available surgeon, health authority scheduling, or process efficiency/redesign, pre- and post-surgical supports etc.) as announced as part of March 2018 provincial surgical/diagnostic strategy; Progress/implementation/strategy documents for increasing diagnostic, including MRI, capacity. Please include final versions only within time period and exclude all emails. (Date Range for Record Search: From 11/18/2017 To 06/28/2018).

The enclosed CD is password protected due to the sensitive nature of the information contained on it. A password was mailed to you separately, including instructions about how to open your password protected file.

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld pursuant to sections 13 (Policy advice or recommendations), 15 (Disclosure harmful to law enforcement), and 22 (Disclosure harmful to personal privacy) of FOIPPA.

A complete copy of the FOIPPA is available online at the following website:

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

Your file is now closed.

Ministry of Citizens' Services Information Access Operations

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Fax: 250 387-9843

Website:

If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Boyd at 778 698-2867. 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 778 698-2867. Please provide the file number at the top right of the first page of this letter in any communications.

You have the right to ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review the Ministry's response to your request. 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
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.