

ARCS: 292-30 File: HTH-2019-96175

March 12, 2020

Sent via email:

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:

The Medical services Plan (MSP) billing intake centre has a preformed construct in the computer system in which billings for codes G14052 and G14050 are only accepted if the patient has been attended to twice in the previous year from the time of code billing. Please provide information regarding when that feature was entered into the computerized MSP billing intake system. Please provide copies of any notes to file, correspondence, or related information that relates to the inception and utilization of that feature at the Medical Services Plan.

The records located in response to your request will be delivered through the BC Secure File Transfer Service. Separate emails will follow from the BC SFT Notification Service directing you how to set up an account and where to obtain your records. These records are provided to you in their entirety. The Ministry of Health noted that changes to G14052 and 14050 subsequent to the initial requirement around the patient being attended to twice in the previous year, would also be reflected in the related payment schedules found at the following link:

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health/practitioner-professional-resources/msp/physicians/payment-schedules/msc-payment-schedule

Your file is now closed.

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Telephone: 250 387-1321 Fax: 250 387-9843 These records will be published on the BC Government's Open Information website a minimum of ten 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 Laura Cameron, the analyst assigned to your request, at 778 698-8402. 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 778 698-8402.

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,

Laura Cameron, FOI Analyst

On behalf of Ken Bejcek, 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.