



ARCS: 292-30  
File: HTH-2019-98372

February XX, 2020

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:

*Summarized records outlining the total number of licensed child care spaces province wide in British Columbia by license category at four different points in time. Provide the total # of licensed child care spaces by category as they stood for the months ending March 2017, March 2018, March 2019, and November 15 2019 for the following licensed categories: 1) Group – Under 36 months; 2) Group – 30 months to School ; 3) Group – Preschool ; 4) Group – School Age; 5) Group – Multi-Age ; 6) In-Home Multi Age; 7) Family (Date Range for Record Search: From 2/1/2017 To 11/15/2019)*

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. These records are provided to you in their entirety. The records include all licenced care facilities that receive operational funds from the Ministry of Children and Family Development (MCFD). Therefore, the Health Authority Public Website may contain more. The Ministry of Health also noted the data you are seeking is available to the public on the Health Authority Community Care Facility Licensing websites as well as the BC Child Care Map website located at the following link:

<http://maps.gov.bc.ca/ess/hm/ccf/>

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 ten business days after release. To find out more about Open Information, please access the Open Information website at: [www.gov.bc.ca/openinformation](http://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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Laura', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Laura Cameron, FOI Analyst  
On behalf of Ken Bejcek, Manager  
Health / Education 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.