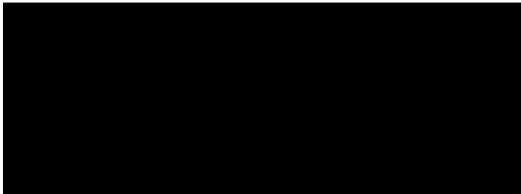


Via Email – gage@secondstreet.org

February 2, 2021



Re: SRHC-20-10 - FOI



This letter is in response to your request under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (“FIPPA”), which were received by Southlake Regional Health Centre (“**Southlake**”) on December 2, 2020. The request is for access to the following information:

1. Please provide data on the number of patients that died while on a waiting list for a surgical procedure in 2019-2020. Please break the data out by procedure and case info – date the patient was referred to a specialist, decision date, date for the procedure and date of cancellation. Please also note the government’s target time for providing the procedure in question. (Note: many hospitals/health regions were able to identify such cases as they track the reason for cancelled operations).
2. Please provide data on the number of patients that died while on a waiting list for either a diagnostic scan or a consultation with a specialist in fiscal year 2019-20. Please break the data out by procedure and case info – date the patient was referred to a specialist, decision date, date for the procedure and date of cancellation. Please also note the government’s target time for providing the procedure in question. (Note: many hospitals/health regions were able to identify such cases as they track the reason for cancelled operations).

I am pleased to grant full access to the requested information outlined in #1 above, which is attached to this letter as Schedule “A”.

With respect to the requested information outlined in #2 above, please be advised that access is denied as **no records exist**.

You may request that this decision be reviewed by the Information and Privacy Commissioner. The Commissioner can be reached at:

Registrar, Information and Privacy Commissioner/Ontario
1400-2 Bloor Street East
Toronto, Ontario, M4W 1A8

Please note that you have 30 days from the receipt of this letter to request a review by the Commissioner under section 50 (1) of the Act, and is attached to this letter as Schedule "B" for your convenience and information. We would appreciate you using the request number assigned to your request in any further correspondence.

Should you have any questions or concerns, or wish to obtain further information, please contact the Southlake Privacy Office at privacy@southlakeregional.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "obautista". The signature is written in a cursive, lowercase style.

Olivia (Liv) Bautista
Director, Privacy and Counsel

cc: A. Jones, Vice President, Patient Experience, Chief Nursing Officer and Chief Privacy Officer

Schedule "A"

Exclusions Include:

- A. Cases that were not waitlisted/reported to the waitlist system prior to death
- B. Cases that were removed from waitlist with reasons other than "patient death" will not be included, (i.e. if the patient did not show up for their scheduled appointment and we later found out it was due to death, may have not been reported in our system).

Other Notes:

- Causes of patient death are not documented in our waitlist system and may not be related to surgical procedure type.

Procedure Type	Referral Date	Cancellation Date	Target Date for Surgery	Cancellation Reason
Knee	03/31/2017	04/29/2019 09:21	3/26/19	Patient Death
Lung	03/20/2019	04/01/2019 13:00	4/10/19	Patient Death
Lung	02/01/2019	04/05/2019 10:04	4/15/19	Patient Death
Benign Esophageal/Diaphragm Surgery		04/01/2019 17:53	5/17/19	Patient Death
Benign Lung/Pleural Surgery	03/20/2019	04/10/2019 13:20	6/19/19	Patient Death
Hip		05/29/2019 15:06	4/29/19	Patient Death
Benign Tumour Surgery	11/22/2018	07/23/2019 11:37	7/10/19	Patient Death
Hernia Surgery	04/02/2019	08/20/2019 15:26	10/17/19	Patient Death
Knee		08/28/2019 16:45	11/11/19	Patient Death
Benign Tumour Surgery	05/30/2019	08/07/2019 15:36	12/5/19	Patient Death
Hip	11/13/2017	08/13/2019 09:19	5/21/19	Patient Death
Cataract	02/21/2019	08/12/2019 11:12	9/18/19	Patient Death
Cataract		08/09/2019 15:09	9/18/19	Patient Death
Cataract	11/05/2018	08/21/2019 13:17	9/26/19	Patient Death
Arterial Bypass Surgery	08/28/2019	09/10/2019 11:18	10/23/19	Patient Death
Aneurysm Surgery	07/25/2019	09/04/2019 08:22	9/19/19	Patient Death
Cataract		09/16/2019 12:05	12/27/19	Patient Death

Shoulder	03/11/2019	10/16/2019 09:56	1/21/20	Patient Death
Cataract	06/05/2019	11/20/2019 15:05	12/25/19	Patient Death
Cataract		11/20/2019 15:06	12/25/19	Patient Death
Cataract	05/28/2019	11/21/2019 13:27	12/14/19	Patient Death
Cataract		11/21/2019 13:27	12/14/19	Patient Death
Cataract	03/15/2019	11/08/2019 11:57	6/19/20	Patient Death
Lung	07/16/2019	11/07/2019 14:50	10/26/19	Patient Death
Cataract	11/23/2018	12/09/2019 14:45	11/7/19	Patient Death
Lung	11/25/2019	12/12/2019 10:28	12/9/19	Patient Death
Benign Prostate Surgery		01/20/2020 13:49	7/7/20	Patient Death
Cataract	05/27/2019	01/22/2020 14:05	3/12/20	Patient Death
Amputation Surgery	10/10/2017	01/08/2020 13:43	10/19/18	Patient Death
Cataract		01/08/2020 11:48	6/5/20	Patient Death
Arterial Bypass Surgery		01/08/2020 13:43	8/27/19	Patient Death
Head and Neck (excluding Thyroid)	12/04/2019	01/14/2020 14:33	3/11/20	Patient Death
Cataract		01/08/2020 13:49	4/23/20	Patient Death
Breast	11/01/2019	01/09/2020 11:13	2/5/20	Patient Death
Cataract	03/20/2019	02/12/2020 14:00	2/28/20	Patient Death
Digestive System Surgery	07/31/2019	02/10/2020 16:28	4/16/20	Patient Death
Cataract	06/07/2019	02/24/2020 15:11	3/27/20	Patient Death
Digestive System - Esophagus		03/20/2020 10:32	4/1/20	Patient Death
Knee		03/02/2020 11:12	6/27/19	Patient Death
Cataract		03/04/2020 18:29	10/15/20	Patient Death
Cataract		03/04/2020 18:29	10/15/20	Patient Death

- End of Schedule A -