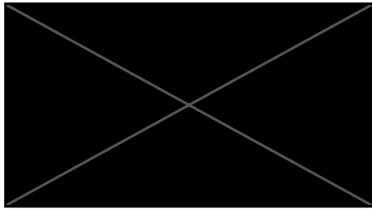


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**Re:** *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*  
**Request For:** "Please provide data on the number of patients that died while on a waiting list for either a diagnostic scan or a consultation with a specialist in fiscal year 2021-22. Please break the data out by procedure and case info – date the patient went on the waiting list, date for the meeting with a specialist or date for diagnostic scan (if scheduled), and date of cancellation. Please also note the government's target time for providing the consultation or scan in question. (Note: many hospitals/health regions were able to identify such cases as they track the reason for cancelled operations)."  
**Time Frame:** **April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022**  
**File No.:** **2022-37**

I am writing about your request for access to information under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, as described above that was received by Health PEI on June 8, 2022.

I regret to inform you that a search by Health PEI has failed to retrieve any records related to your request. The requested information is not collected by Health PEI. A search for records was completed by the Health Information Unit and no relevant records were found.

Under section 60 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, you may ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review the finding that records relevant to the request could not be located. You have sixty (60) days from the date of this notice to request a review by writing to the Information and Privacy Commissioner at the J. Angus MacLean Building, P.O. Box 2000, Charlottetown, PE, C1A 7N8.

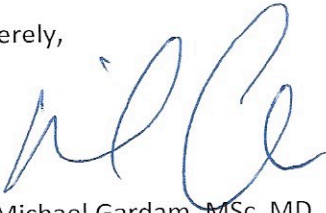
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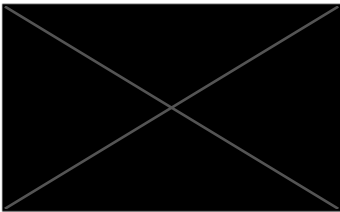
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**Re:** *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*

**Request For:** "Please provide data on the number of patients that died while on a waiting list for surgery or a procedure in fiscal year 2021-22. 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)."

**Time Frame:** **April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022**

**File No.:** **2022-38**

I am writing about your request for access to information under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, as described above that was received by Health PEI on June 8, 2022. We are pleased to provide you with access to the available information in the table below representing Health PEI's average length of time on wait list prior to cancellation of procedure. As the number of patients included in the counts for each procedure is very low, release of the specific dates related to individual patients could have impacts to personal privacy.

| <b>Procedure Wait List Information – April 1, 2021- March 31, 2022</b> |  |  |                                       |
|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
|  | <i>Number of patients who died on waiting list<sup>1</sup></i> | <i>Average length of time on wait list prior to cancellation</i> | <i>CIHI Benchmark Wait Time- 2021</i> |
| Hip replacement  | 0  | 0  | 182 days                              |
| Knee replacement   | 0  | 0  | 182 days                              |
| Hip fracture repair  | 0  | 0  | 48 hours                              |
| Cataract surgery   | 7  | 258 days   | 112 days                              |
| Arthrodesis Double/Triple  | <5   | 470 days   | N/A                                   |
| Cystoscopy Insertion Stent   | <5   | 28 days  | N/A                                   |
| Ureteroscopy   | <5   | 83 days  | N/A                                   |
| Transurethral Resection Prostate, Internal Urethrotomy                 | <5   | 26 days  | N/A                                   |

**Notes**

1. Wait list is defined, for the purposes of reporting to CIHI, as the period of time between the patient accepting the first available appointment for the procedure and the booked date for the procedure.

2. Patients who declined the first available surgical date offered were excluded from the data.
3. Second eye cataract procedures were excluded for those patients who expired prior to first procedure, as both eyes are simultaneously booked by some surgeons.
4. The date of referral to a specialist is not collected by Health PEI.
5. Five (5) surgeries were listed as "First Scheduled Date", five (5) were listed as "Surgeon Requested Date" and one (1) was listed as "Medical Necessity Date".

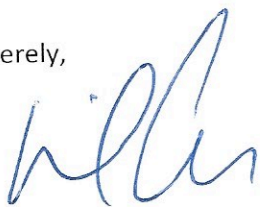
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