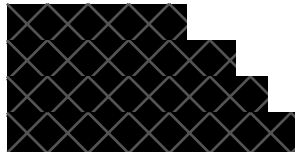




File: 292-30/HTH-2022-23290

February 9, 2023



Dear Kristen Schulz:

**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:

*Please provide the most recent data on the number of patients in the province (or best estimate) who are: Currently on a waiting list or waiting to be placed on a waiting list for surgery or a procedure; Currently on a waiting list or waiting to be placed on a waiting list for a diagnostic scan; Currently on a waiting list or waiting to be placed on a waiting list for an appointment with a specialist. Please be sure to note the date the data was compiled (Date Range for Record Search: From 12/1/2022 To 12/4/2022)*

Records regarding the number of surgical cases currently on a waitlist have been provided. The Ministry advises they do not collect/track the remaining requested information.

Your file is now closed.

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)

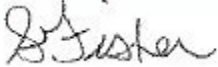
The records located in response to your request will be delivered through the BC Secure File Transfer Service. Separate emails will follow from the BC SFT Notification Service directing you how to set up an account and where to obtain your records. A guide for using the SFTS is enclosed for your convenience.

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If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Samara Fisher, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250 953-3622. This number can also be reached toll-free at 1 833 283-8200. Please provide the FOI request number, found 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 this decision. I have enclosed information on the review and complaint process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "S. Fisher". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "S".

Samara Fisher, Senior FOI Analyst  
Information Access Operations

Enclosures

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### Request Details

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### Request Response

We can only provide the number of surgical cases on the waitlist.

The number of patients on the surgical waitlist at November 10, 2022 is 86,426.