

September 6, 2022

Kristen Schulz 1018 Ashburn Street Winnipeg, MB R3G 3E3

Sent via email: kristen@secondstreet.org

Dear Kristen Schulz:

Re: We do not have the information you asked for - 2022-01236-HEA

The Department of Health and Wellness received your application for access to information under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (the Act) on August 5, 2022.

In your application, you requested a copy of the following records:

Please provide any memos, reports or analysis that examine patient suffering on health care waiting lists – patients going blind due to long waits for cardiac surgery, patients developing health problems while prescribed painkillers for long periods of time while they wait for surgery, patients developing depression, etc. The time frame for this request is June 1, 2020 to the present. (Date Range for Record Search: From 05/31/2020 To 08/03/2022)

After a file search, we have located no records responsive to your application. Therefore, it is my understanding, pursuant to clause 7(2)(b) of the Act, that the Department of Health and Wellness does not have custody or control of records which would respond to your application.

I am unaware of a department or agency which would hold such records.

You have the right to ask for a review of this decision by the Information Access and Privacy Commissioner (formerly the Review Officer). You have 60 days from the date of this letter to exercise this right. If you wish to ask for a review, you may do so on Form 7, a copy of which is attached. Send the completed form to the Information Access and Privacy Commissioner, P.O. Box 181, Halifax, Nova Scotia B3J 2M4.

Please be advised that a de-identified copy of this disclosure letter and the attached response to your FOIPOP application will be made public after 14 days. The package will be posted online at <u>https://openinformation.novascotia.ca/</u>. The letter will not include your

name, address or any other personal information that you have supplied while making your application under FOIPOP.

Please contact Gillian C. McKay at 902-424-2719 or by e-mail at gillian.mckay@novascotia.ca, if you need further assistance regarding this application.

Sincerely,

Craig Beaton Associate Deputy Minister

Attachment