



Ontario Health

November 28, 2023

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Access Request: OH22-041

Sent via email.

Dear Kristen,

I am writing regarding your access request under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (hereafter, 'the Act') received by our office on October 24, 2023 and clarified on October 31, 2023. You requested the following information:

Please provide the most recent data on the number of patients in the province (or best estimate) who are:

Currently on a waiting list for surgery or a procedure

Currently on a waiting list for a diagnostic scan

Please be sure to note the date the data was compiled.

A search has been conducted and the responsive records have been reviewed. Ontario Health is releasing the record in full to you.

The official responsible for making the access decision on your request is Matthew Anderson.

The actual fee for processing your request is \$15. The breakdown for your fee is as follows:

- \$15 for search time based on 1/2 hour of time @ \$7.50 per quarter hour.

The Act provides that all or part of the fee can be waived if in our opinion it is fair and equitable to do so. A decision has been made to wave the fee for this request.

You may request the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review this decision and fee within thirty days from the date of this letter. The Commissioner's address is Suite 1400, 2 Bloor Street East, Toronto, Ontario, M4W 1A8. The appeal fee is \$25.00 payable by cheque or money order to the Minister of Finance and must be included with your correspondence.

Should you have any questions, please contact FOI@ontariohealth.ca. We would appreciate you using the above listed access request number in any further correspondence.

Sincerely,

Adam Roffel
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Freedom of Information and Records Management
Ontario Health



Freedom of Information and Access Request OH23-041 Responsive Records

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- Currently on a waiting list for surgery or a procedure
- Currently on a waiting list for a diagnostic scan

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Surgical Wait List Data:

Data pull as of October 31, 2023	Wait list cases volume as of October 1, 2023
Ontario Surgical Wait List	215,275

Diagnostic Scan Wait List Data:

Data pull as of October 30, 2023	Wait List (as of October 1, 2023)
MRI Wait List	349,763
CT Wait List	311,984

Note: During the COVID-19 pandemic, urgent and emergent surgeries were prioritized and completed without delay, however, there have been periods that required scheduled surgeries to be cancelled and rescheduled. The number of Ontarians waiting for an OR-based surgical procedure is about the same as it was pre-pandemic. The most current wait list numbers will stabilize over the next 4-6 months for surgery and 2 months for diagnostic imaging. As such current wait list numbers need to be interpreted with caution.