



**VCH Freedom Of Information Office [VCH]**

to me, VCH ▾

Dear Kristen Schultz,

We are writing in response to your request for the following records:

*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 2022-23. 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 period: April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023*

The Health Authority does not have knowledge of individuals waiting for a consultation in a surgeon's office. This query requires a response from each individual surgeon's office. Referrals to Medical Imaging/Specialist/Surgery often start at the family physician's private office and this information is not currently tracked by the Health Authority.

You may request a review of our response within 30 working days of receiving this email by writing to the following address:

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner for BC  
PO Box 9038, Stn. Prov. Govt.  
Victoria, BC V8W 9A4  
Telephone: (250) 387-5629  
Fax: (250) 387-1696

If you choose to request a review by the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner, you should include with your request:

- a copy of your original request for records; and
- a copy of this response.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Regards,

**Genevieve Limongelli**

Coordinator, Freedom of Information

**Vancouver Coastal Health**

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