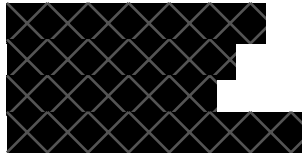




File: 292-30/HTH-2025-50816

August 6, 2025

Sent via email: kristen@secondstreet.org



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:

A copy of 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; and currently on a waiting list or waiting to be placed on a waiting list for a diagnostic scan. (Date Range for Record Search: From 4/14/2025 To 4/15/2025)

These records are provided to you in their entirety. The Ministry has advised that the regional Health Authorities might be able to provide waitlist information for diagnostic scans other than CT/MRI.

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

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 available by clicking [here](#).

.../2

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact me at 250 387-7362. This number can also be reached toll-free at 1 833 283-8200. Please provide the FOI request number, HTH-2025-50816, 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, appearing to read 'Deborah Flin', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Deborah Flin for Tyler Barbon, FOI Specialist
Information Access Operations

Enclosures



Request # HTH-2025-50816

SUMMARY OF ALL REDACTIONS

pg(s). 1 - 5

Disclosed in full

Partial Disclosure = Some information on a page is released; Full disclosure = all information on a page is released and Withheld in full = no information on a page is released.

Should you seek any additional clarifications on the Freedom of Information redaction process and details regarding sections they can be found here:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/governments/services-for-government/policies-procedures/foipppa-manual>

Ministry of Citizens' Services
Information Access Operations

Mailing Address:
PO Box 9569 Stn Prov Govt
Victoria BC V8W 9K1

Email: FOI.Requests@gov.bc.ca
Website: <http://www.gov.bc.ca/freedomofinformation/>

Phone: 250-387-1321
Toll Free: 833-283-8200
(ask for Information Access Operations)
Fax: 250-387-9843



Completion Date 2025/05/26

The most recent data, including the date the data was compiled, 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; a diagnostic scan (Date Range for Record Search: 4/14/2025-4/15/2025).

Prepared by CSD/CCS/SDA Community & Cross Sector | Surgical and Diagnostic Analytics

Filename	HTH-2025-50816 FOI REQUEST - SWT MIWT 2.xlsx
-----------------	--

The information contained in this/these spreadsheet(s) is of a summary nature and may be released in its entirety (Cover Sheet and relevant Tabs) for the purpose for which it was provided. However, as it was prepared to address a specific question, other use or manipulation of the data is not permitted.

FOI Request HTH-2025-50816 - Response

Waitlist Volumes

Filename HTH-2025-50816 FOI REQUEST - SWT MIWT 2.xlsx

Data sources 1) Surgical Wait Times (SWT) Database - Snapshot ID 469 (May 9, 2025)
2) Medical Imaging Wait Times (MIWT) Database - Snapshot ID 219 (April 17, 2024)

Notes - Surgeries

- 1 Inclusions:
 - All ages
 - Scheduled surgeries only
- 2 Exclusions:

Cornea Transplant	Heart Transplant
CABG + Valve + Other	EP Procedure
CABG + Valve	Cath Lab Procedure
CABG + Other	Non-Surgical Code
Pure CABG	
Valve + Other	Insertion Pacemaker/Defibrillators - Includes ICD/AICD
Pure Valve	
Other OHS	Reposition/Replace/Remove
Non-Open Heart Surgery	Pacemaker/Defibrillator/ICD/AICD Wire/Lead or
Not Yet Mapped Cardiac Surgery	Generator
Aortic	Angioplasty
Major Non-OHS	Laryngoscopy With or Without Biopsy
Minor Non-OHS	Laryngopharyngoscopy
Congenital Heart	Bronchoscopy With or Without Biopsy

Notes - GI Endoscopy Procedures

- 1 Inclusions:
 - All ages

FOI Request HTH-2025-50816 - Response

Waitlist Volumes

Filename HTH-2025-50816 FOI REQUEST - SWT MIWT 2.xlsx

Data sources

- 1) Surgical Wait Times (SWT) Database - Snapshot ID 469 (May 9, 2025)
- 2) Medical Imaging Wait Times (MIWT) Database - Snapshot ID 219 (April 17, 2024)
 - Scheduled GI Endoscopies only
 - Colonoscopies
 - Other GI Endoscopies

FOI Request HTH-2025-50816 - Response

Waitlist Volumes

Filename HTH-2025-50816 FOI REQUEST - SWT MIWT 2.xlsx

Data sources 1) Surgical Wait Times (SWT) Database - Snapshot ID 469 (May 9, 2025)
2) Medical Imaging Wait Times (MIWT) Database - Snapshot ID 219 (April 17, 2024)

Notes - Diagnostic Scans

- 1 Inclusions:
 - Outpatients
 - All ages
- 2 Exclusions:
 - Priority Level 5 encounters (which are follow-up procedures)

RMS # 1979

FOI Request HTH-2025-50816 - Response

Waitlist Volumes

Category	04/14/2025	04/15/2025
Surgeries	96,210	96,076
GI Endoscopy	40,222	40,128
Diagnostic Scan		
MRI	93,332	93,602
CT	108,940	109,172

Note: waitlist volumes are only for patients already on the waitlist. We do not have information on patients waiting to be placed on the waitlist.