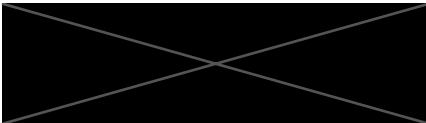


September 22, 2025



Dear Kristen:

Re: Your request for access to information under Part 2 of
The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act:
(Our File No. 2025/26-032-757186)

On August 8, 2025 the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority received your request for access to the following records:

2025/26-032-757186

"Please provide data on the number of notices (emails, letters, etc.) provided by Cardiac Sciences Manitoba or St. Boniface Hospital to patients since March 2025 in response to a directive issued by the Minister of Health to inform patients waiting for cardiac surgery – right at the beginning of their surgical journey – of the estimated wait time for their surgery and the maximum recommended wait time. Please also provide a copy of a sample letter/email provided with identifiable patient information removed. (In response to calls for "Debbie's Law", the Minister indicated she would be sending a directive to require this disclosure to patients. We would like to know how many have been sent and see a sample of what is being provided)."

Please note that Shared Health legal is currently drafting and reviewing language that will be used within the letter, however no final version exists. The public body can also confirm that as the language is under review, no letters or responsive records have been sent. Therefore, under section 12(1)(c)(i) of *The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* this information cannot be provided because it does not exist.

- 12(1) In a response under section 11, the head of the public body shall inform the applicant
- (c) if access to the record or part of the record is refused,
 - (i) in the case of a record that does not exist or cannot be located, that the record does not exist or cannot be located.

Subsection 59(1) of *The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* provides that you may make a complaint about our decision respecting your request for access to the Manitoba Ombudsman. You have 60 days from the receipt of this letter to make a complaint on the prescribed form to:

Manitoba Ombudsman
300 - 5 Donald Street
Winnipeg, MB R3L 2T4
204 982-9130
1-800-665-0531

If you have any questions, please contact Tiffany Dewan Reimer, Access and Privacy Officer, at 1502 – 155 Carlton Street, Winnipeg MB R3C 3H8 (204) 792-0810.

Sincerely,

Original signed by TDR

Valerie Gural
Interim FIPPA Access & Privacy Coordinator

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