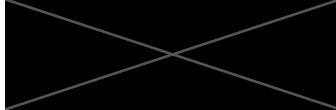


June 3, 2025



Dear Kristen;

Right to Information and Protection of Privacy Act (the *RTIPPA*) Request #2025-025

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 2024-25. Please break the data out by scan/consultation 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).

Timeline: April 2, 2024, to March 31, 2025

Please accept this letter in response to your request to access information under the *RTIPPA* which was received by Horizon Health Network (*Horizon*) on April 16, 2025.

I reached out to Horizon's Regional Director of Medical Imaging for a response to your request for information. I was advised that currently Horizon has four disparate clinical information systems (CIS) that do not track the data you have requested. As of April 1, 2025, Horizon has 7,636 patients waiting for MRI services.

I regret to inform you that, at this time, Horizon cannot provide you with the data you have requested as the data does not exist. If you are not satisfied with this response, you may file a complaint with OmbudNB as per section 67(1)(a)(i) of the *RTIPPA* within 40 business days of receiving this response or refer the matter to a judge of the Court of Kings' Bench as per section 65(1)(a) of the *RTIPPA* within 40 business days of receiving this response.

Please feel free to contact me at rtippa-ldipvp@horizonnb.ca if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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Access to Information Coordinator