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Kristen Schultz
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Dear Ms. Schultz:

RE: Access to Information Request, 25-26-1369

Thank you for your Access to Information Request received in this office on October 9, 2025, pursuant to *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (the Act) requesting:

“Please provide documentation on the government’s (or health region’s) protocol for patients requiring potentially lifesaving heart surgery. Specifically, please provide documentation that indicates patients must be informed – at the time they decide to proceed with surgery or when it is presented as an option – of their expected wait time for surgery and the maximum recommended wait time for surgery. If a similar disclosure is required, please provide that documentation. The time period for this request is January 1, 2022 to present (we’re looking for the most recent documentation so if this protocol goes back further that is fine too – whatever is the current practice).”

The Saskatchewan Health Authority is pleased to provide access to the document entitled *Adult Diagnosis Codes For Surgical Prioritization 2025-2026*. A copy of the record is attached in the email.

In addition, records you have requested are publicly available online at the links below:

- Saskatchewan Health Authority’s “*Informed Consent to Care*” policy & frequently asked questions document, and the “*Consent – Informed*” Clinical Documentation & Communication Standard:
[Informed Consent to Care Policy SHA-05-002.pdf](#)
[Informed Consent to Care Policy SHA-05-002 Frequently Asked Questions.pdf](#)
[CS-CDCS-0014 Consent - Informed - CS-CDCS-0014-Consent-Informed.pdf](#)
- Saskatchewan Ministry of Health’s Surgical Registry Policies and Procedures
[Surgical and Endoscopy Booking Resources | Health Care Administration and Provider Resources | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

If you have any questions regarding this file, please contact me at (306) 883-4460 or by email at dana.doucette@saskhealthauthority.ca.

Should you be dissatisfied with the response you receive or the manner in which your request is handled, as per section 38 of the Act you may, within one year of being given written notice or from the date deemed to be the last day of notice, apply for a formal process review by submitting a written request to: Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner, 503-1801 Hamilton Street, REGINA SK S4P 4B4.

Please note that it would be most helpful if you could cite the assigned identifier number when making an enquiry.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dana Doucette".

Dana Doucette
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Attachment