GN File #1029-20-2526DH23135

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BY EMAIL

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RE: Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Request #1029-20-2526DH23135

Dear Ms. Schulz:

This letter is in response to your request for access to information under the *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy (ATIPP) Act* for the following information:

> "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, a diagnostic scan or appointment with a specialist. (Date Range for Record Search: From 4/15/2025 to 1/9/2026). A single summary figure by type is preferred."

As mentioned in our previous release to you, the Department of Health cannot provide you with the information you requested for the Kivalliq and Kitikmeot Regions because some of the information is held outside of the department (e.g., waitlist information is held by specialists' clinics or by other jurisdictions) or obtaining the information would unreasonably interfere with the operations of the department.

Please see the Department's response to your questions below for the Qikiqtaaluk Region:

1. **Number of patients in Nunavut are currently on a waitlist or waiting to be placed on a waitlist for a surgery or procedure.**

   A: Total 129 as of January 27, 2026.

2. **Number of patients in Nunavut are currently on a waiting list or waiting to be placed on a wait list for a diagnostic scan.**

   A: Zero waitlist as of January 27, 2026.

3. **Number of patients in Nunavut is currently on a waiting list or waiting to be placed on a wait list for an appointment with a specialist.**

   A: Total 1403 as of January 27, 2026.

If you are not satisfied with this response, you may request a review by the Information and Privacy Commissioner under Section 28 of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act. You have 30 days from the receipt of this notice to request a review by writing to:

Information and Privacy Commissioner
P.O. Box 1000, Station 270
Iqaluit, Nunavut X0A 0H0
Tel: (867) 979-3081
Email: admin@atipp-nu.ca

If you wish to request a review, please provide the Office of the Commissioner with the following information:

1. The reference number quoted at the top of this notice;
2. A copy of this letter;
3. A copy of the original request for information that you sent to the Department of Health; and
4. The reason why you are requesting a review.

Should you have any further questions regarding this file, please contact Murugesh Narayanan, ATIPP Coordinator by e-mail at mnarayanan@gov.nu.ca or by phone at (867) 975 – 5729.

Sincerely,

Carlin Twomey
Acting Deputy Minister Health
Government of Nunavut