

FOI request to Grey Bruce Health Services re: "SARS-COV-2" purification

Christine Massey <cmssyc@gmail.com> Wed, Apr 7, 12:01 PM

to FIPPA

April 7, 2021

To:
Grey Bruce Health Services
1800 8th Street East
Owen Sound, Ontario
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Submitted via email to: FIPPA@gbhs.on.ca

Dear Freedom of Information Officer,

This is a formal request for access to general records, made under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

Since [your FOI webpage](#) does not provide any special instructions on how to submit the \$5 application fee during the "pandemic", I will mail a cheque to the address listed there.

Description of Requested Records:

All studies and/or reports in the possession, custody or control of Grey Bruce Health Services describing the **purification** of any "**SARS-COV-2**" aka "COVID-19 virus" (including any "variants") (via maceration, filtration and use of an ultracentrifuge; also referred to at times by some people as "isolation"), directly from a sample taken from a diseased human, where the patient sample was not first combined with any other source of **genetic** material (i.e. monkey kidney cells aka Vero cells; fetal bovine serum).

Please note that I am not requesting studies/reports where researchers failed to **purify** the suspected "virus" and instead:

- cultured an unpurified sample or other unpurified substance, and/or

- performed an amplification test (i.e. a PCR test) on all the RNA from a patient sample or from a cell culture, or on genetic material from any unpurified substance, and/or
- sequenced the total RNA from a patient sample or from a cell culture or from any unpurified substance, and/or
- produced electron microscopy images of unpurified things.

Clarifications re my request

For further clarity, please note I am already aware that according to virus theory a "virus" requires host cells in order to replicate, and I am **not** requesting records describing the **replication** of a "virus" without host cells.

Further, I am **not** requesting records that describe a suspected "virus" floating in a vacuum; I am simply requesting records that describe its **purification (separation** from everything else in the patient sample, as per standard laboratory practices for the purification of other small things).

Please also note that my request is **not limited** to records that were authored by Grey Bruce Health Services or that pertain to work done at/by Grey Bruce Health Services. Rather, my request includes any record matching the above description, for example (but not limited to) any published peer-reviewed study authored by anyone, anywhere that has been downloaded or printed by Administration or Staff at Grey Bruce Health Services and relied on as evidence of a disease-causing "virus".

If any records match the above description of requested records and are currently available to the public elsewhere, please provide enough information about each record so that I may identify and access each one with certainty (i.e. title, author(s), date, journal, where the public may access it). Please provide URLs where possible.

Format:

Pdf documents sent to me via email; I do not wish for anything to be shipped to me.

Contact Information:

Last name: Massey

First name: Christine

Address: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED]

Email: cmssyc@gmail.com

Thank you in advance and best wishes,
Christine Massey, M.Sc.

Thursday, April 15, 2021

Christine Massey
[REDACTED]

Dear Christine Massey:

This letter is in response to your recent Freedom of Information request.

You requested the information below (insert below is from your written request) within Grey Bruce Health Services

"All studies and/or reports in the possession, custody or control of Grey Bruce Health Services describing the purification of any "SARS-COV-2" aka "COVID-19 virus" (including any "variants") (via maceration, filtration and use of an ultracentrifuge; also referred to at times by some people as "isolation"), directly from a sample taken from a diseased human, where the patient sample was not first combined with any other source of genetic material (i.e. monkey kidney cells aka Vero cells; fetal bovine serum).

Please note that I am not requesting studies/reports where researchers failed to purify the suspected "virus" and instead:

- **cultured an unpurified sample or other unpurified substance, and/or**
- **performed an amplification test (i.e. a PCR test) on all the RNA from a patient sample or from a cell culture, or on genetic material from any unpurified substance, and/or**
- **sequenced the total RNA from a patient sample or from a cell culture or from any unpurified substance, and/or**
- **produced electron microscopy images of unpurified things."**

We investigated whether anyone in our hospital had conducted research in the areas that you described in your request, or performed any of the procedures and processes that you described. We have concluded that Grey Bruce Health Services has not conducted any research in these areas, and we have not produced any of the studies or reports that you have requested.

If you have any questions or require further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Julie Frazer, Manager Health Information & Privacy Officer
Phone (519) 376 2121 ext 2548 jfrazer@gbhs.on.ca

Christine Massey <cmssyc@gmail.com>

1:01 PM (5 minutes ago)



to jfrazier ▾

Dear Mr. Frazer,

Thank you for your letter dated April 15, 2021 in response to my FIPPA request shown below.

Your response requires some clarification. You've stated that "*we have not produced any of the studies or reports that you have requested*". However my request explicitly stated:

*Please also note that my request is **not limited** to records that were authored by Grey Bruce Health Services or that pertain to work done at/by Grey Bruce Health Services. Rather, my request includes any record matching the above description, for example (but not limited to) any published peer-reviewed study authored by anyone, anywhere that has been downloaded or printed by Administration or Staff at Grey Bruce Health Services and relied on as evidence of a disease-causing "virus".*

If any records match the above description of requested records and are currently available to the public elsewhere, please provide enough information about each record so that I may identify and access each one with certainty (i.e. title, author(s), date, journal, where the public may access it). Please provide URLs where possible.

Does Grey Bruce Health Services have any responsive records, and if not would you please provide a revised letter that states this explicitly in accordance with the Act?

Thank you and best wishes,
Christine



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Health Services

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Thursday, May 4, 2021

Christine Massey
[REDACTED]

Dear Christine Massey:

This letter is in response to your recent email dated Tuesday April 20, 2021 message. Thank-you for your requested clarification. We have consulted all areas of the hospital that would be engaged in this type of activity and confirmed with them that Grey Bruce Health Services has not downloaded or printed any of the types of records that you've described, authored by anyone, or anywhere, and has not relied on them as evidence of a disease-causing "virus".

If you have any questions or require further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

David Merkle, Chief Privacy Officer
Phone (519) 376 2121 ext 2803 dmerkle@gbhs.on.ca
CC: Julie Frazer, Privacy Officer



Christine Massey <cmssyc@gmail.com>

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Christine Massey <cmssyc@gmail.com>

Fri, May 7, 2021 at 1:40 PM

To: dmerkley@gbhs.on.ca

Cc: jfrazer@gbhs.on.ca

Dear Mr. Merkley,

Thank you for your clarification letter dated May 4, 2021 in response to my *FIPPA* request re "SARS-COV-2" purification.

Your clarification requires further clarification. You stated that "*Grey Bruce Health Services has not downloaded or printed any of the types of records you've described.....*". However my request explicitly stated:

*Please also note that my request is **not limited** to records that were authored by Grey Bruce Health Services or that pertain to work done at/by Grey Bruce Health Services. Rather, my request includes **any record matching the above description, for example (but not limited to)** any published peer-reviewed study authored by anyone, anywhere that has been downloaded or printed by Administration or Staff at Grey Bruce Health Services and relied on as evidence of a disease-causing "virus".*

If any records match the above description of requested records and are currently available to the public elsewhere, please provide enough information about each record so that I may identify and access each one with certainty (i.e. title, author(s), date, journal, where the public may access it). Please provide URLs where possible.

Does Grey Bruce Health Services have *any* responsive records, and would you please provide a revised letter that states this explicitly in accordance with section 29 (1) of the Act?

Contents of notice of refusal

29 (1) Notice of refusal to give access to a record or a part thereof under section 26 shall set out,

(a) where there is no such record,

- (i) that there is no such record, and
- (ii) that the person who made the request may appeal to the Commissioner the question of whether such a record exists; or

(b) where there is such a record,

- (i) the specific provision of this Act under which access is refused,
- (ii) the reason the provision applies to the record,
- (iii) the name and position of the person responsible for making the decision, and
- (iv) that the person who made the request may appeal to the Commissioner for a review of the decision. R.S.O. 1990, c. F.31, s. 29 (1).

Thank you and best wishes,
Christine

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Merkley, David L. <dmerkley@gbhs.on.ca>
To: Christine Massey <cmssyc@gmail.com>
Cc: "Frazer, Julie" <jfrazer@gbhs.on.ca>

Mon, May 10, 2021 at 10:56 AM

Hi Christine,

Grey Bruce Health Services does not have any records matching your request. I was responsible for making this decision as the Chief Privacy Officer, and my title and contact information is in my signature below. You may appeal this decision to the Commissioner. The file number is GBHS202104.2.

David Merkley

Director & CPO | Health Information Management & Decision Support

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From: Christine Massey <cmssyc@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, May 7, 2021 13:46

To: Merkley, David L. <dmerkley@gbhs.on.ca>

Cc: Frazer, Julie <jfrazer@gbhs.on.ca>

Subject: Re: FOI request to Grey Bruce Health Services re: "SARS-COV-2" purification

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