

Fwd: Access to Info Request to PHO: studies re isolation of SARS-COV-2

Christine Massey <cmssyc@gmail.com> To: privacy@oahpp.ca Bcc: "<cetaboy@yahoo.com>" <cetaboy@yahoo.com> Thu, Jul 16, 2020 at 5:40 PM

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Ontario Agency for Health Protection and Promotion aka Public Health Ontario (PHO) 480 University Avenue Suite 300 Toronto ON M5G 1V2 privacy@oahpp.ca

Dear Freedom of Information and Privacy Coordinator,

This is a Freedom of Information Request for Access to General Records, made under FIPPA.

Description of Requested Records:

All records in the possession, custody or control of the Ontario Agency for Health Protection and Promotion aka Public Health Ontario (PHO) describing the isolation of a SARS-COV-2 virus, directly from a sample taken from a diseased patient, where the patient sample was <u>not</u> first combined with any other source of genetic material (i.e. monkey kidney cells aka vero cells; lung cells from a lung cancer patient).

Please note that I am using "isolation" in the every-day sense of the word: *the act of separating a thing(s) from everything else*. I am <u>not</u> requesting records where "isolation of SARS-COV-2" refers instead to:

- the culturing of something, or
- the performance of an amplification test (i.e. a PCR test), or
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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: #221 - 93 George St. S., Brampton ON L6Y 1P4 Phone: 905-965-6254 Email: cmssyc@gmail.com **Application Fee:** I will submit a \$5 cheque by mail.

Thank you in advance and best wishes, Christine Massey, M.Sc. Brampton ON L6Y 1P4



Fwd: Access to Info Request to PHO: studies re isolation of SARS-COV-2

Christine Massey <cmssyc@gmail.com> To: privacy@oahpp.ca Thu, Oct 1, 2020 at 12:29 PM

Dear FOI coordinator,

I am looking forward to PHO's response to my request submitted on July 16, and just wanted to update you with my new address for your records (although I prefer email communication and don't want anything shipped to me):

21 Keystone Avenue Toronto ON M4C 1G9

Cheers and thank you, Christine [Quoted text hidden]



RE: Your Access Request No. 2020-08

Ilone Harrison llone.Harrison@oahpp.ca> To: Christine Massey <cmssyc@gmail.com> Thu, Jun 3, 2021 at 1:04 PM

Dear Ms. Massey,

Thank you for following up with Public Health Ontario (PHO) about your request for:

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Public Health Ontario recognizes that Freedom of Information (FOI) processes are an important service and a right for Ontarians, but in these extraordinary circumstances, public health and safety are of utmost importance. During the COVID-19 pandemic response, our ability to process FOI requests is directly impacted and we continue to experience delays related to:

- the conduct of full and comprehensive searches for records by program areas which may be prioritizing critical COVID-19 response activities in connection with the emergency;
- our ability to conduct reviews of those responsive records that have already been received from program

areas; and

• conducting necessary consultations with third parties or other institutions that may be prioritizing work related to COVID-19 or may be operating at a reduced capacity.

We will continue to make reasonable efforts to process incoming and existing requests. However, please be advised that your request may take longer than normal to process. We will try our best to keep you updated on the progress of your request.

Throughout the pandemic, PHO has published a wide range of resources related to COVID-19. In the interim, you may wish to review these resources. Please visit our main COVID-19 webpage to access them.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

Ilone M. Harrison FIP CIPM CIPP/C CIAPP-P

Privacy Officer

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e: ilone.harrison@oahpp.ca

From: Christine Massey [mailto:cmssyc@gmail.com] Sent: June 2, 2021 7:40 PM To: Ilone Harrison Ilone.Harrison@oahpp.ca>; Privacy <Privacy@oahpp.ca>; Colleen Geiger <Colleen.Geiger@oahpp.ca> Subject: Re: FIPPA request to OAHPP/PHO re "vaccine" consent, outcome tracking

Dear llone and Ms. Geiger,

Thank you, my \$5.00 application fee payable to Public Health Ontario is in the mail, addressed to 661 University Avenue.

Also, almost a year ago, on **July 16, 2020**, I emailed another request to PHO, asking for records describing the purification of "SARS-COV-2" from any patient sample in the world. I mailed in a \$5 cheque the following day. A screenshot of the request has been posted on my website for many months:

https://www.fluoridefreepeel.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/FOI-to-PHO-isolation-July-16-2020-2.jpg

On October 1, 2020 I advised PHO via email of my address change, for your records, and indicated that I still preferred email communication and still didn't want anything shipped to me, as had been stated in my request. A screenshot of that email is attached.

According to my bank, PHO cashed the cheque for that request on **October 30, 2020**. A screenshot of the cheque and the date of transaction, from my online banking, is attached.

I've still never received any response whatsoever to this request.

I have moved again since, but still prefer email communication and do not want anything shipped to me. Is PHO ever going to provide their response to that request?

Thank you, best wishes,

Christine



Your Access Request No. 2020-08

Ilone Harrison Ilone.Harrison@oahpp.ca> To: Christine Massey <cmssyc@gmail.com> Wed, Aug 4, 2021 at 10:47 AM

Dear Ms. Massey,

I am writing to you in connection with your request for access to information, specifically for:

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The type of work described in your request is not done by Public Health Ontario (PHO) and there are no records at PHO that are responsive to your request.

PHO performs testing for SARS-CoV-2 virus, the virus that causes COVID-19, but the work that PHO does has been excluded from your request as per paragraph 2. Information about PHO's COVID-19 testing is available on our website:

- · Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) PCR
- Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Serology
- COVID-19 Virus Variant of Concern (VoC) Surveillance see SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19 Virus) Variant of Concern (VoC) Surveillance

FIPPA section 50(1) allows you to appeal this decision, within 30 days, to the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario (IPC). The IPC's contact information is:

2 Bloor Street East Suite 1400 Toronto, Ontario M4W 1A8 Telephone: (416) 326-3333 (Toll Free: 1-800-387-0073)

If you decide to appeal, you should provide a copy of your original request and this decision letter. You will also need to send the IPC an appeal fee of \$25.00, by cheque or money order payable to the Minister of Finance.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for clarification or to discuss any aspect of your request or this decision.

Yours truly,

Ilone M. Harrison FIP CIPM CIPP/C CIAPP-P

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