File: 292-30/PSS-2025-52500

February 17, 2026

Re: Request for Access to Records

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA)

I am writing further to your request received by the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General. Your request is for:

Records indicating the criteria that must be met by individuals contracted by GPEB to diagnose and treat gambling addiction as it is defined by the American Psychiatric Association Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, including specialized education and training, especially with respect to: Adverse Childhood Experience (ACE); Intergenerational trauma; Comorbidity; members of a BC regulatory college; evaluation forms used in evaluating applicant credentials and lastly, who makes the decision to contract any particular individual to provide counseling services.
(Date Range for Record Search: From 1/1/2010 To 12/31/2023)

These records are provided to you in their entirety.

Additional records responsive to your request are available publicly on the Open Information website here:
https://www2.gov.bc.ca/enSearch/detail?id=7AFDBC16F15F42E289E9F7DDB0F80C40&recorduid=PSS-2021-15066

Your file is now closed.

These records will be published on the BC Government's Open Information website a minimum of ten business days after release. To find out more about Open Information, please access the Open Information website at: www.gov.bc.ca/openinformation

Ministry of Citizens' Services FOI Operations
Mailing Address:
PO Box 9569 Stn Prov Govt
Victoria, BC V8W 9K1
Website: www.gov.bc.ca/freedomofinformation
Phone: (250) 387-1321
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The records located in response to your request will be delivered through the BC Secure File Transfer Service. Separate emails will follow from the BC SFT Notification Service directing you how to set up an account and where to obtain your records. A guide for using the SFTS is available by clicking here.

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Amanda Born, the analyst assigned to your request, by email at IAO.JusticeTeam@gov.bc.ca. Please provide the FOI request number, PSS-2025-52500, in any communications.

You have the right to ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review this decision. I have enclosed information on the review and complaint process.

Sincerely,

Amanda Born, Senior FOI Analyst
FOI Operations

Enclosure

How to Request a Review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact the analyst assigned to your file. The analyst's name and telephone number are listed in the attached letter.

Pursuant to section 52 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA), you may ask the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner (OIPC) to review any decision, act, or failure to act regarding your request under FOIPPA.

Please note that you have 30 business days to file your review with the OIPC.

In order to request a review with the OIPC please write to info@oipc.bc.ca or the address provided below:

Information and Privacy Commissioner
PO Box 9038 Stn Prov Govt
4th Floor, 947 Fort Street
Victoria, BC V8W 9A4
Telephone: (250) 387-5629
Fax: (250) 387-1696

If you request a review, please provide the Commissioner's Office with:

- A copy of your original request;
- A copy of the response from the public body; and
- The reasons or grounds upon which you are requesting the review.

The OIPC website has additional information and forms about submitting requests for reviews or complaints: https://www.oipc.bc.ca/for-the-public/how-do-i-request-a-review/