July 11, 2019

Dear Applicant:

Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act [Our File #: HCS/092/2019]

On June 12, 2019, the Department of Health and Community Services (the Department) received your request for access to the following records:

“Please provide the budget approval Letters that were provided to the 4 RHAs and NLCHI for 2018-19 and 2019-20. Please provide all briefing notes, documents, correspondence, emails, text/BBM relating to the projected year end financial position for the RHAs for fiscal 2018/19 which may include information relating to requests to cover cash deficits, approvals to carry deficits or approvals of stabilization funding.”

On June 17, 2019, this request was refined to the following:

- 2018/19 budget approval letters
- Line of credit approvals for 2018/19
- Stabilization for 2018/19
- Copies of the letters sent to the RHAs advising them of the amount of stabilization funding
- Line of credit approvals for 2019-20
- Briefing notes prepared in relation to 2019-20 credit lines and 2018-19 stabilization funding

I am pleased to inform you that a decision has been made by the Department to provide access to some of the requested information. Access to the remaining information contained within the records has been refused in accordance with the following exceptions to disclosure as specified in the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act (the Act):

Cabinet Confidences
27. (1) In this section, "cabinet record" means:
(c) a memorandum, the purpose of which is to present proposals or recommendations to the Cabinet.
(2)(a) The head of a public body shall refuse to disclose to an applicant a cabinet record.

Disclosure harmful to the financial or economic interests of a public body
35. (1)(g) The head of a public body may refuse to disclose to an applicant information which could reasonably be expected to disclose information, the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to prejudice the financial or economic interest of the government of the province or a public body.

Please be advised that the portion of your request for briefing notes was determined to be a cabinet record. Accordingly, pages 22-41 of the package have been withheld under s. 27(2)(a) and s. 27(1)(c) of the Act.
Please be advised that you may ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review the processing of your access request, as set out in section 42 of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act (the Act). A request to the Commissioner must be made in writing within 15 business days of the date of this letter or within a longer period that may be allowed by the Commissioner.

The address and contact information of the Information and Privacy Commissioner is as follows:

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner
2 Canada Drive
P. O. Box 13004, Stn. A
St. John’s, NL. A1B 3V8
Telephone: (709) 729-6309
Toll-Free: 1-877-729-6309
Facsimile: (709) 729-6500

You may also appeal directly to the Supreme Court Trial Division within 15 business days after you receive the decision of the public body, pursuant to section 52 of the Act.

Please be advised that responsive records will be published following a 72 hour period after the response is sent electronically to you or five business days in the case where records are mailed to you. It is the goal to have the responsive records posted to the Completed Access to Information Requests website within one business day following the applicable period of time. Please note that requests for personal information will not be posted online.

If you have any further questions, please contact the undersigned by telephone at 709-729-7010 or by email at MichaelCook@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

Michael Cook
ATIPP Coordinator
Enclosures
Access or correction complaint

(1) A person who makes a request under this Act for access to a record or for correction of personal information may file a complaint with the commissioner respecting a decision, act or failure to act of the head of the public body that relates to the request.

(2) A complaint under subsection (1) shall be filed in writing not later than 15 business days

(a) after the applicant is notified of the decision of the head of the public body, or the date of the act or failure to act; or

(b) after the date the head of the public body is considered to have refused the request under subsection 16 (2).

(3) A third party informed under section 19 of a decision of the head of a public body to grant access to a record or part of a record in response to a request may file a complaint with the commissioner respecting that decision.

(4) A complaint under subsection (3) shall be filed in writing not later than 15 business days after the third party is informed of the decision of the head of the public body.

(5) The commissioner may allow a longer time period for the filing of a complaint under this section.

(6) A person or third party who has appealed directly to the Trial Division under subsection 52 (1) or 53 (1) shall not file a complaint with the commissioner.

(7) The commissioner shall refuse to investigate a complaint where an appeal has been commenced in the Trial Division.

(8) A complaint shall not be filed under this section with respect to

(a) a request that is disregarded under section 21 ;

(b) a decision respecting an extension of time under section 23 ;

(c) a variation of a procedure under section 24 ; or

(d) an estimate of costs or a decision not to waive a cost under section 26 .

(9) The commissioner shall provide a copy of the complaint to the head of the public body concerned.
Direct appeal to Trial Division by an applicant

52. (1) Where an applicant has made a request to a public body for access to a record or correction of personal information and has not filed a complaint with the commissioner under section 42, the applicant may appeal the decision, act or failure to act of the head of the public body that relates to the request directly to the Trial Division.

(2) An appeal shall be commenced under subsection (1) not later than 15 business days

(a) after the applicant is notified of the decision of the head of the public body, or the date of the act or failure to act; or

(b) after the date the head of the public body is considered to have refused the request under subsection 16 (2).

(3) Where an applicant has filed a complaint with the commissioner under section 42 and the commissioner has refused to investigate the complaint, the applicant may commence an appeal in the Trial Division of the decision, act or failure to act of the head of the public body that relates to the request for access to a record or for correction of personal information.

(4) An appeal shall be commenced under subsection (3) not later than 15 business days after the applicant is notified of the commissioner’s refusal under subsection 45 (2).
Honourable John Haggie, MD, FRCS  
Minister  
Department of Health and Community Services  

Dear Colleague:  

**RE: Eastern Regional Health Authority Line of Credit**  

I am writing in reply to your letter dated March 8, 2018, regarding an operating line of credit for Eastern Regional Health Authority ("ERHA") for fiscal 2018-19. It is noted that ERHA has requested a line of credit for $64 million to meet its operating cash flow requirements and your Department has recommended approval.  

In accordance with Section 11(1) of the Transparency and Accountability Act, I hereby authorize your Department’s approval of the ERHA’s request for a $64 million operating line of credit for the period of April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019.  

Sincerely,  

Honourable Tom Osborne, MHA  
Minister of Finance and  
President of Treasury Board  
District of Waterford Valley
Honourable John Haggie, MD, FRCS  
Minister  
Department of Health and Community Services  

Dear Colleague:

**RE: Labrador-Grenfell Regional Health Authority Line of Credit**

I am writing in reply to your letter dated March 8, 2018, regarding an operating line of credit for Labrador-Grenfell Regional Health Authority ("LGRHA") for fiscal 2018-19. It is noted that LGRHA has requested a line of credit for $20 million to meet its operating cash flow requirements and your Department has recommended approval.

In accordance with Section 11(1) of the Transparency and Accountability Act, I hereby authorize your Department's approval of the LGRHA's request for a $20 million operating line of credit for the period of April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019.

Sincerely,

Honourable Tom Osborne, MHA  
Minister of Finance and  
President of Treasury Board  
District of Waterford Valley
Honourable John Haggie, MD, FRCS
Minister
Department of Health and Community Services

Dear Colleague:

RE: Central Regional Health Authority Line of Credit

I am writing in reply to your letter dated March 8, 2018, regarding an operating line of credit for Central Regional Health Authority ("CRHA") for fiscal 2018-19. It is noted that CRHA has requested a line of credit for $15 million to meet its operating cash flow requirements and your Department has recommended approval.

In accordance with Section 11(1) of the Transparency and Accountability Act, I hereby authorize your Department's approval of the CRHA's request for a $15 million operating line of credit for the period of April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019.

Sincerely,

Honourable Tom Osborne, MHA
Minister of Finance and
President of Treasury Board
District of Waterford Valley
Honourable John Haggie, MD, FRCS
Minister
Department of Health and Community Services

Dear Colleague:

**RE: Western Regional Health Authority Line of Credit**

I am writing in reply to your letter dated March 13, 2018, regarding an operating line of credit for Western Regional Health Authority ("WRHA") for fiscal 2018-19. It is noted that WRHA has requested a line of credit for $18.5 million to meet its operating cash flow requirements and your Department has recommended approval.

In accordance with Section 11(1) of the Transparency and Accountability Act, I hereby authorize your Department’s approval of the WRHA’s request for a $18.5 million operating line of credit for the period of April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019.

Sincerely,

Honourable Tom Osborne, MHA
Minister of Finance and
President of Treasury Board
District of Waterford Valley
Mr. David Diamond  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Eastern Health  
Health Sciences Centre, Room 1344  
300 Prince Philip Drive  
St. John’s, NL A1B 3V6

Dear Mr. Diamond:

Budget 2018 will result in a total investment of over $3 billion in the province’s health care system. This year’s budget includes funding for continued access to health care services and treatments, long-term care and community support services needs, and access to new and modern health care facilities and equipment through continued investment in health care infrastructure. More specifically, Budget 2018 includes $12.2 million through the bilateral agreement with the Government of Canada that will support mental health and community based care initiatives. Budget 2018 also includes capital funding of $8 million for the Corner Brook Acute Care Facility, $6.1 million for the Waterford Hospital replacement, funding for long-term care in Western and Central Health, and $4 million for the expansion of the Dr. Hugh Twomey Health Centre in Botwood. There is also $45 million in total funding in Budget 2018 for new equipment, building improvements, and repairs and maintenance of health facilities within the province.

The Department of Health and Community Services (HCS) and the Regional Health Authorities (RHAs) have worked closely over the past year regarding the implementation of various expenditure reduction initiatives. Implementation of these initiatives will continue into the 2018-19 fiscal year. As was the case in 2017-18, there has been no reduction to the operating grant provided to the RHAs for these expenditure reduction initiatives. This approach will improve the operating deficit position of the RHAs and the Department believes the RHAs will return to a balanced position in the 2020-21 fiscal year.

For the 2018-19 fiscal year, Eastern Health will be allocated $1,297,323,600. Over the next few weeks, the Department will provide an updated cash forecast for the RHAs that outlines the anticipated provincial plan revenue from Government up to the 2022-23 fiscal year that will assist with financial planning. The Department realizes that the total cash available is less than the total expenses of the RHAs but will continue to work with the RHAs throughout the year to reduce expenditures or provide more cash, if possible.
The expense figures listed above cannot increase without the authority of the Minister of HCS, Treasury Board, or as a result of an emergency situation. HCS Finance staff will arrange for calls over the coming days to discuss this letter and to establish a process regarding expenditure increases, if required.

If you require any additional information or clarification concerning the 2018-19 budget, please contact Mr. Mike Tizzard, Departmental Controller at 729-5287 or mikutizzard@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

JOHN G. ABBOTT
Deputy Minister

cc: Mr. Mike Tizzard, Departmental Controller, HCS
    Ms. Heather Hanrahan, ADM, HCS
March 27, 2018

Ms. Louise Jones, CEO (Interim)
Central Health
21 Carmelite Road
Grand Falls-Windsor, NL
A2A 1Y4

Dear Ms. Jones:

Budget 2018 will result in a total investment of over $3 billion in the province’s health care system. This year’s budget includes funding for continued access to health care services and treatments, long-term care and community support services needs, and access to new and modern health care facilities and equipment through continued investment in health care infrastructure. More specifically, Budget 2018 includes $12.2 million through the bilateral agreement with the Government of Canada that will support mental health and community based care initiatives. Budget 2018 also includes capital funding of $8 million for the Corner Brook Acute Care Facility, $6.1 million for the Waterford Hospital replacement, funding for long-term care in Western and Central Health, and $4 million for the expansion of the Dr. Hugh Twomey Health Centre in Botwood. There is also $45 million in total funding in Budget 2018 for new equipment, building improvements, and repairs and maintenance of health facilities within the province.

The Department of Health and Community Services (HCS) and the Regional Health Authorities (RHAs) have worked closely over the past year regarding the implementation of various expenditure reduction initiatives. Implementation of these initiatives will continue into the 2018-19 fiscal year. As was the case in 2017-18, there has been no reduction to the operating grant provided to the RHAs for these expenditure reduction initiatives. This approach will improve the operating deficit position of the RHAs and the Department believes the RHAs will return to a balanced position in the 2020-21 fiscal year.

For the 2018-19 fiscal year, Central Health will be allocated $328,742,400. Over the next few weeks, the Department will provide an updated cash forecast for the RHAs that outlines the anticipated provincial plan revenue from Government up to the 2022-23 fiscal year that will assist with financial planning. The Department realizes that the total cash available is less than the total expenses of the RHAs but will continue to work with the RHAs throughout the year to reduce expenditures or provide more cash, if possible.
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If you require any additional information or clarification concerning the 2018-19 budget, please contact Mr. Mike Tizzard, Departmental Controller at 729-5287 or mikutizzard@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

JOHN G. ABBOTT
Deputy Minister

cc: Mr. Mike Tizzard, Departmental Controller, HCS
Ms. Heather Hanrahan, ADM, HCS
March 27, 2018

Dr. Susan Gillam
Chief Executive Officer
Western Health
P. O. Box 2005
Corner Brook, NL  A2H 6J7

Dear Dr. Gillam,

Budget 2018 will result in a total investment of over $3 billion in the province’s health care system. This year’s budget includes funding for continued access to health care services and treatments, long-term care and community support services needs, and access to new and modern health care facilities and equipment through continued investment in health care infrastructure. More specifically, Budget 2018 includes $12.2 million through the bilateral agreement with the Government of Canada that will support mental health and community based care initiatives. Budget 2018 also includes capital funding of $8 million for the Corner Brook Acute Care Facility, $6.1 million for the Waterford Hospital replacement, funding for long-term care in Western and Central Health, and $4 million for the expansion of the Dr. Hugh Twomey Health Centre in Botwood. There is also $45 million in total funding in Budget 2018 for new equipment, building improvements, and repairs and maintenance of health facilities within the province.

The Department of Health and Community Services (HCS) and the Regional Health Authorities (RHAs) have worked closely over the past year regarding the implementation of various expenditure reduction initiatives. Implementation of these initiatives will continue into the 2018-19 fiscal year. As was the case in 2017-18, there has been no reduction to the operating grant provided to the RHAs for these expenditure reduction initiatives. This approach will improve the operating deficit position of the RHAs and the Department believes the RHAs will return to a balanced position in the 2020-21 fiscal year.

For the 2018-19 fiscal year, Western Health will be allocated $307,841,100. Over the next few weeks, the Department will provide an updated cash forecast for the RHAs that outlines the anticipated provincial plan revenue from Government up to the 2022-23 fiscal year that will assist with financial planning. The Department realizes that the total cash available is less than the total expenses of the RHAs but will continue to work with the RHAs throughout the year to reduce expenditures or provide more cash, if possible.
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If you require any additional information or clarification concerning the 2018-19 budget, please contact Mr. Mike Tizzard, Departmental Controller at 729-5287 or miketizzard@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
JOHN G. ABBOTT
Deputy Minister

cc: Mr. Mike Tizzard, Departmental Controller, HCS
Ms. Heather Hanrahan, ADM, HCS
Ms. Barbara Molgaard Blake  
Chief Executive Officer (Interim)  
Labrador-Grenfell Health  
P. O. Box 7000, Station C  
Happy Valley-Goose Bay, NL A0P 1C0

Dear Ms. Molgaard Blake:

Budget 2018 will result in a total investment of over $3 billion in the province’s health care system. This year’s budget includes funding for continued access to health care services and treatments, long-term care and community support services needs, and access to new and modern health care facilities and equipment through continued investment in health care infrastructure. More specifically, Budget 2018 includes $12.2 million through the bilateral agreement with the Government of Canada that will support mental health and community based care initiatives. Budget 2018 also includes capital funding of $8 million for the Corner Brook Acute Care Facility, $6.1 million for the Waterford Hospital replacement, funding for long-term care in Western and Central Health, and $4 million for the expansion of the Dr. Hugh Twomey Health Centre in Botwood. There is also $45 million in total funding in Budget 2018 for new equipment, building improvements, and repairs and maintenance of health facilities within the province.

The Department of Health and Community Services (HCS) and the Regional Health Authorities (RHAs) have worked closely over the past year regarding the implementation of various expenditure reduction initiatives. Implementation of these initiatives will continue into the 2018-19 fiscal year. As was the case in 2017-18, there has been no reduction to the operating grant provided to the RHAs for these expenditure reduction initiatives. This approach will improve the operating deficit position of the RHAs and the Department believes the RHAs will return to a balanced position in the 2020-21 fiscal year.

For the 2018-19 fiscal year, Labrador-Grenfell Health will be allocated $145,009,600. Over the next few weeks, the Department will provide an updated cash forecast for the RHAs that outlines the anticipated provincial plan revenue from Government up to the 2022-23 fiscal year that will assist with financial planning. The Department realizes that the total cash available is less than the total expenses of the RHAs but will continue to work with the RHAs throughout the year to reduce expenditures or provide more cash, if possible.
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Sincerely,

JOHN G. ABBOTT
Deputy Minister

cc: Mr. Mike Tizzard, Departmental Controller, HCS
    Ms. Heather Hanrahan, ADM, HCS
March 27, 2018

Mr. Stephen Clark
Interim President & Chief Executive Officer
    Vice-President, Business Services & Chief Financial Officer
Newfoundland and Labrador Centre for Health Information
70 O’Leary Avenue
St. John’s, NL A1B 2C7

Dear Mr. Clark:

Budget 2018 will result in a total investment of over $3 billion in the province’s health care system. This year’s budget includes funding for continued access to health care services and treatments, long-term care and community support services needs, and access to new and modern health care facilities and equipment through continued investment in health care infrastructure. I am pleased to inform you that the Newfoundland and Labrador Centre for Health Information (NLCHI) is budgeted to receive $26,778,200 in operating funding from the Department of Health and Community Services (HCS) for 2018-19.

The Department will require quarterly financial reports from your organization as part of the Department’s overall accountability and reporting requirements. These reports should be based on quarter ends and be provided to the Department on July 13, October 12, January 11, and a final report on April 30 that summarizes NLCHI’s fiscal year. The reports should highlight the year-to-date results, significant variances from the approved budget, and reasons for such variances, as well as financial projections to year-end. Please submit your quarterly reports to Mike Tizzard, Departmental Controller, at mikelizzato@gov.nl.ca.

If you have any questions regarding the budget information attached, please contact Mr. Mike Tizzard, Departmental Controller, at 729-5287.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

John G. Abbott
Deputy Minister

cc: Mr. Mike Tizzard, Departmental Controller, HCS
Honourable John Haggie, MD, FRCS
Minister
Department of Health and Community Services

Dear Colleague:

**RE: Eastern Regional Health Authority Line of Credit**

I am writing in reply to your letter regarding an operating line of credit for Eastern Regional Health Authority ("ERHA") for fiscal 2019-20. It is noted that ERHA has requested a line of credit for $64 million to meet its operating cash flow requirements, and the Department of Health and Community Services has recommended approval.

In accordance with Section 11(1) of the Transparency and Accountability Act, I hereby authorize the approval of the ERHA’s request for a $64 million operating line of credit for the period of April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020.

Sincerely,

Honourable Tom Osborne, MHA
Minister of Finance and
President of Treasury Board
District of Waterford Valley
Honourable John Haggie, MD, FRCS  
Minister  
Department of Health and Community Services  

Dear Colleague:  

RE: Labrador-Grenfell Regional Health Authority Line of Credit  

I am writing in reply to your letter regarding an operating line of credit for Labrador-Grenfell Regional Health Authority ("LGRHA") for fiscal 2019-20. It is noted that LGRHA has requested a line of credit for $20 million to meet its operating cash flow requirements, and the Department of Health and Community Services has recommended approval.  

In accordance with Section 11(1) of the Transparency and Accountability Act, I hereby authorize the approval of the LGRHA’s request for a $20 million operating line of credit for the period of April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020.  

Sincerely,  

Honourable Tom Osborne, MHA  
Minister of Finance and  
President of Treasury Board  
District of Waterford Valley
Honourable John Haggie, MD, FRCS
Minister
Department of Health and Community Services

Dear Colleague:

RE: Central Regional Health Authority Line of Credit

I am writing in reply to your letter regarding an operating line of credit for Central Regional Health Authority ("CRHA") for fiscal 2019-20. It is noted that CRHA has requested a line of credit for $15 million to meet its operating cash flow requirements, and the Department of Health and Community Services has recommended approval.

In accordance with Section 11(1) of the Transparency and Accountability Act, I hereby authorize the approval of the CRHA's request for a $15 million operating line of credit for the period of April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020.

Sincerely,

Honourable Tom Osborne, MHA
Minister of Finance and
President of Treasury Board
District of Waterford Valley
Honourable John Haggie, MD, FRCS  
Minister  
Department of Health and Community Services  

Dear Colleague:  

RE: Western Regional Health Authority Line of Credit  

I am writing in reply to your letter regarding an operating line of credit for Western Regional Health Authority ("WRHA") for fiscal 2019-20. It is noted that WRHA has requested a line of credit for $44.5 million to meet its operating cash flow requirements, and the Department of Health and Community Services has recommended approval.  

In accordance with Section 11(1) of the Transparency and Accountability Act, I hereby authorize the approval of the WRHA’s request for a $18.5 million operating line of credit for the period of April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020.  

Sincerely,  

Honourable Tom Osborne, MHA  
Minister of Finance and  
President of Treasury Board  
District of Waterford Valley
March 31, 2019

Mr. Scott Bishop  
Senior Director, Budgeting & Financial Services  
Eastern Health  
Mount Pearl Square  
760 Topsail Rd, NL A1N 3J5  

Dear Mr. Bishop:  

Re: Stabilization Funding (B2018-19E-27 - Revised)  

The Department is pleased to advise that one-time stabilization funding of $6,600,000 will be provided to Eastern Health in 2018-19 to assist with the projected operating deficits of the Regional Health Authorities.

If you require any further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me at 729-5287.

Yours truly,  

JOHN MCGRATH, CPA, CA  
Departmental Controller  

c.c.: Jason Cole  
Chad Antle  
Loretta McLoughlin  
File
March 31, 2019

Mr. John Kattenbusch
VP – Finance and Corporate Services
Central Regional Health Authority
125 Trans Canada Highway
Gander, NL A1B 1P7

Dear Mr. Kattenbusch:

Re: Stabilization Funding (B2018-19C-18)

The Department is pleased to advise that one-time stabilization funding of $1,950,000 will be provided to Central Health in 2018-19 to assist with the projected operating deficits of the Regional Health Authorities.

If you require any further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me at 729-5287.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

JOHN MCGRATH, CPA, CA
Departmental Controller

c.c.: Kellie Bailey
Chad Antle
Loretta McLoughlin
File
March 31, 2019

Mr. Devon Goulding  
Vice President – Finance and Decision Support  
Western Regional Health Authority  
P. O. Box 2005  
Corner Brook, NL  A2H 6J7

Dear Mr. Goulding:

Re: Stabilization Funding (B2018-19W-16)

The Department is pleased to advise that one-time stabilization funding of $1,950,000 will be provided to Western Health in 2018-19 to assist with the projected operating deficits of the Regional Health Authorities.

If you require any further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me at 729-5287.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

JOHN MCGRATH, CPA, CA  
Departmental Controller

c.c.:  Chris Squire  
Chad Antle  
Loretta McLoughlin  
File
March 31, 2019

Mr. Peter Deegan
VP Corporate Services & CFO
Labrador-Grenfell Health Authority
P. O. Box 1012
St. Anthony, NL
A0K 4S0

Dear Mr. Deegan:

Re: Stabilization Funding (B2018-19LG-13)

The Department is pleased to advise that one-time stabilization funding of $1,321,500 will be provided to Labrador-Grenfell Health in 2018-19 to assist with the projected operating deficits of the Regional Health Authorities. This funding includes an outstanding amount of $21,500 from fiscal 2017-18 for payment to WGMD Consulting on behalf of the Department.

If you require any further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me at 729-5287.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

JOHN MCGRATH, CPA, CA
Departmental Controller

C.c.: Chad Antle
      Michele Hodder
      Tanya Pinksen
      Loretta McLoughlin
      File