



**Access and Privacy Branch**  
1000 – 155 Carlton Street  
Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 3H8

May 8, 2024

Katrina Clarke  
1355 Mountain Ave,  
Winnipeg, MB  
R2X 3B6

Dear Katrina Clarke:

**Re: Request for Access under Part 2 of *The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FIPPA) – File Number 2324-EDU-0559**

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On March 12, 2024, Education and Early Childhood Learning received your request for access to the following records:

*Please provide records regarding provincial government inspections of licensed child-care facilities in Manitoba. These records should include, but not be limited to: the date the inspection took place; the facility that was inspected; and any findings/violations/orders resulting from the inspection. If original reports are available, please provide the original report. Please provide the records in an electronic word-searchable format.*

*Timeframe: January 1, 2021, to January 1, 2023*

On March 8, 2024, you contacted Access and Privacy Coordinator, Kendal Sharpe, about the request you submitted on January 5, 2024. The Access Manager, Paige Mackelson advised that the new FIPPA portal went live that day and the request had not been received. She then explained that a fee estimate would most likely occur due to the number of records that would have to be searched for over 1100 licensed childcare facilities.

On March 12, 2024, you submitted your request to Education and Early Childhood Learning.

On April 9, 2024, you followed up on the status of your request. Paige advised you that she was working with the division on how to begin calculating a fee estimate to which you requested a discussion.

On April 11, 2024, you and Paige spoke over the phone and you decided that the request would not be narrowed and to conduct the search as is.

After preparing an estimate of costs, we have determined that processing this request would require more than 8000 hours of work. As such, this request would unreasonably interfere with the operations of the public body and this request is disregarded under 13(1)(d) of FIPPA.

**13(1)** The head of a public body may disregard a request for access if the head is of the opinion that

(d) responding to the request would unreasonably interfere with the operations of the public body.

You may try to contact the all the licensed childcare facilities and ask for their inspection records, however it would be up to the facility on to decide if they would provide you with their records or not.

Section 59(1) of FIPPA provides that you may make a complaint about this decision. You have 60 days to make a complaint to the Manitoba Ombudsman. For information about making a complaint, visit the Manitoba Ombudsman's website or contact that office using the information below.

Manitoba Ombudsman  
750 - 500 Portage Avenue  
Winnipeg MB R3C 3X1  
Phone: 204-982-9130  
Toll-free: 1-800-665-0531  
Email: [ombudsman@ombudsman.mb.ca](mailto:ombudsman@ombudsman.mb.ca)  
Website: <https://www.ombudsman.mb.ca/>

Please contact Kendal Sharpe at [edu-fippa@gov.mb.ca](mailto:edu-fippa@gov.mb.ca) should you have any questions regarding this response.

Sincerely,

Manitoba Finance  
FIPPA Unit