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Applicant c/o
Access and Privacy Officer
Corporate Information Management, ATIPP Office

SUBJECT: Final Response Access Request 21-455

Decision

The Department of Health and Social Services has searched Population and Public Health Evidence and Evaluation and has no records responsive to Access Request 21-455. The final response on the information is as follows:

No Records Found

The Department of Health and Social Services has no records responsive to this request:

YTG/Department of Health administered mRNA vaccine from Moderna since the start of the vaccine rollout about a year ago. It's common knowledge that there can be serious, life threatening and even fatal adverse reactions to all covid mRNA vaccines. My understanding it that adverse health effects are noticeably higher in 2nd doses vs 1st doses. Logic would dictate that risk of adverse health effects would only increase with subsequent doses. What concerns with the Moderna mRNA vaccine caused the YTG/Department of Health to switch to the mRNA vaccine from Pfizer for vaccinating those under 18 years of age. Does the Department of Health have any data that demonstrates the adverse health effects evidenced from use of Moderna's mRNA vaccines in children will not affect any of the older groups with the implementation of mRNA boosters/doses?

Timeframe: December 1, 2019 - November 30, 2021

For the first part of the request, the Pfizer vaccine was the first approved vaccine for youth and it has been and remains the primary vaccine used by the Department. For the second part of

the request, this information may be available through Health Canada, here is a link to their website: https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/coronavirus-disease-covid-19/vaccines/safety-side-effects.html. The National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI) may also have information related to this request, here is a link to their website: https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/immunization/national-advisory-committee-on-immunization-naci.html

Pursuant to section 66 of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act you may contact Yukon's Information and Privacy Commissioner with a complaint in respect to this response. Section 66 states:

An applicant may, in respect of the head of a responsive public body's response to their access request under section 64, make a complaint to the commissioner by filing the complaint in accordance with section 90.

Should you wish to do so, please refer your written complaint within 30 business days to the Information and Privacy Commissioner at:

Yukon Information and Privacy Commissioner 3162 Third Avenue, Main Floor, Whitehorse, Yukon Y1A 1G3

E-mail: intake@yukonombudsman.ca

Phone: (867) 667-8468; (toll free: 1-800-661-0408 ext. 8468)

There is no cost to the applicant.

Contact Person in Department

If the applicant has any questions, please contact Emily MacLeod, Designated Access Officer for the Department of Health and Social Services by phone at 867-667-5919 or by email at Emily.MacLeod@yukon.ca.

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