



Yukon Information and Privacy Commissioner

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Ann Cavoukian, Ph.D.
Information and Privacy Commissioner
2 Bloor St. East, Suite 1400
Toronto, ON M4W 1A8

Dear Dr. Cavoukian:

Re: CIHI Draft Privacy Policy

I have enclosed for you a copy of my comments to CIHI on its draft *Privacy Policy on Collection, Use, Disclosure and Retention of Personal Health Information and De-Identified Data*.

In addition to these comments to CIHI, I have made further inquiries to Yukon public bodies regarding:

- the legal authority being relied upon for Yukon public bodies to disclose personal information to CIHI and to collect any “returned” personal information;
- whether there are data-sharing agreements in place; and
- whether “de-identified data” can be linked to personal information by CIHI.

I would welcome any discussion with you or your office about the issues I have raised, or other information about which I should be aware in order to ensure personal health information is being protected by CIHI.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tracy-Anne McPhee'.

Tracy-Anne McPhee
Information and Privacy Commissioner

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