

March 15, 2016

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Re: Response to your request dated February 27, 2016


Our organization has received your request dated February 27, 2016, on February 27, 2016. In this request, you are seeking to obtain information regarding:

“scholarship or funding for an overseas for masters or research in any program in medicine”.

In response to your request, we consulted the team responsible for funding programs at the master's level, relevant to medicine, at the Fonds de recherche du Québec – Santé (FRQS). We inform you that, currently, these programs are only open to permanent residents of Canada or Canadian citizens. If you have other questions regarding this issue, we will be pleased to refer you to the team responsible for these programs.

In accordance with Section 51 of the *Act respecting Access to documents held by public bodies and the Protection of personal information*, RLRQ, c. A-2.1 (the Act) we inform you that you can request a review of this decision with the Commission d'accès à l'information. You will find enclosed an explanatory note on the exercise of that legal remedy.

Please note that according to the *Regulation respecting the distribution of information and the protection of personal information* (RLRQ, c. A-2.1, r. 2), information regarding your application will also be available on the FRQS's website. However, be assured that your identity will not be disclosed.

Best regards,

(ORIGINAL SIGNÉ)

Me Mylène Deschênes, B.C.L., LL.B., LL.M.
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Enc. Notice of legal remedy (Art. 46, 48 and 51)

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Following a decision made under the *Act respecting Access to documents held by public bodies and the Protection of personal information*.

Review

a) Request for review

Section 135 of the Act provides that a person whose request was refused in whole or in part by the person in charge of access to documents and of the protection of personal information may apply to the Commission d'accès à l'information to review the decision. The request must be in writing and may outline the reasons why the decision should be reviewed (Section 137).

The address of the Commission d'accès à l'information is:

Quebec

Bureau 1.10
575, Saint-Amable St.
Quebec (Quebec) G1R 2G4
Telephone : 418 528-7741
Toll-free number : 1 888 528-7741
Fax : 418 529-3102

Montreal

Bureau 18.200
500, Rene-Levesque Blvd. West
Montréal (Quebec) H2Z 1W7
Telephone : 514 873-4196
Toll-free number: 1 888 528-7741
Fax : 514 844-6170

b) Grounds for review

The grounds for review may include the decision on the application processing time, on the mode of access to a document or to information, on the fees payable or on the application of Section 9 (personal notes written in a document, sketches, outlines, drafts, preliminary notes or other documents of the same nature which are not considered as documents of a public body).

c) Time limit

Requests for review must be submitted to the Commission d'accès à l'information within 30 days of the date of the decision or of the expiration of the period granted to the person in charge of access to documents and of the protection of personal information for responding to an access request (Section 135).

The Act specifically provides that the Commission d'accès à l'information may, for any serious cause, release the applicant from a failure to observe the time limit of 30 days (Section 135).