

Thank you for the opportunity to allow the College of Physicians and Surgeons to comment on the review of PHIA. There are two issues which impact on our organization which we would like to bring to the attention of the Review Committee:

1. Section 4(4) allows the Minister to appoint a person to act in place of a custodian when the custodian fails to carry out his/her duties. It would be helpful to have additional information regarding how this appointment would be carried out and who can be appointed.
2. Section 4(5) allows for the personal representative of a custodian to act in their place in the event that the custodian is deceased. It would be helpful for the Act to clarify what occurs in the event that there is no legally appointed personal representative (ie. when letters of probate or administration have not been granted).

We would welcome the opportunity to discuss these issues with your Review Committee and to be consulted throughout the review process.