

INTERPRETATION NOTE

Unless otherwise specified in the legislation or regulations, any reference to a time period in the *Personal Health Information Act* shall read as the time starting on the day referenced in the provision. If a time period expires on a Saturday or holiday, it shall be considered to have expired on the next day which is not a Saturday or holiday. ¹

EXAMPLE

PHIA Section 84 (1) A custodian who receives a request from an individual for access to or correction of a record of personal health information shall, as soon as possible in the circumstances but no later than thirty days after receiving the request...

If the request was received by the custodian on Friday, March 1st, 2013, the thirty day time period would start running on March 1st.

However, since the thirty day time period would expire on a Saturday (March 30th), the time period would be considered to have expired on the next day (Sunday, March 31st).

¹ *Interpretation Act*, section 19 (k) and (l)