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To: access.and.privacy@ubc.ca  
Date: Tue, 05 Apr 2011 21:53:22 -0500  
Subject: request for non-personal information  
Dear Office of the University Counsel,

We have requested documents from UBC's Behavioural Ethics Review Board (BREB). We received one document. BREB has declined to provide other documents or to say whether or not the documents exist, and has directed us to the UBC Privacy Officer for these other documents.

If they exist, the documents are likely located with BREB and/or the Human Early Learning Partnership at UBC.

Please note that we are only requesting ethics Certificates of Approval at this time.

We received from UBC BREB the ethics Certificate for the Human Early Learning Partnership's (HELP's) Early Development Instrument (EDI) work for 2011.

1 - Regarding HELP's EDI work: (called the "Early Child Development Program of Research" in the 2011 BREB Certificate of Approval):

Were ethics Certificates issued for this project when it was conducted before 2011?

If so, please provide the ethics Certificates for these years listed below.

According to pp 12-14 of HELP's report "Creating Communities for Young Children: A Toolkit for Change"

<http://www.earlylearning.ubc.ca/wp-uploads/web.help.ubc.ca/2010/02/HELP-Toolkit.pdf>

the EDI was conducted in BC in

1999/2000

2000/2001

2001/2002

2002/2003

2003/2004

2004/2005

2005/2006

2006/2007

2007/2008

The EDI was also conducted in

2008/2009

2009/2010

2 - Regarding HELP's on-going data-linkage project involving collecting, linking, and storing the personal records of children and their parents: has that been subject to a BREB review and approved in an ethics Certificate?

If so, could you please provide the certificate(s)?

HELP reported that as of summer 2004 they had linked the personal medical and personal education numbers of 97% of school age children in BC. The HELP document linked below discusses this and states that HELP was seeking "ethical approval" for the data linkage apparently after having linked the records.

<http://www.kidsfirstcanada.org/HELP-preconception-adulthood.pdf>

We appreciate your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Helen Ward,

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