The Personal Health Information Act

Your Health Information and Your Privacy

What is the Personal Health Information Act?
The Personal Health Information Act (PHIA) is a new provincial law that governs the collection, use and disclosure of personal health information by individuals and organizations, also known as custodians, involved in the delivery of health care services. The law is intended to ensure that your personal health information is kept confidential and secure while allowing for the effective delivery of health care services in the province.

Your rights under PHIA
You have the right to:

- Know what information custodians have about you in their records, who has access to those records and for what reasons.
- Access a copy, or request a correction of a record containing your personal health information.
- Be informed about a custodian’s information policies, and be notified if your personal health information is stolen, lost or improperly accessed.
- Ask a custodian not to share your personal health information with other health care providers unless they are permitted or required by law to do so.

for additional information:
www.gov.nl.ca/health/PHIA