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Sent: February-06-14 2:39 PM
To: Jocelyn Downie
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Subject: Re: Assisted Human Reproduction Act (AHRA) - MECS 13-120048 - 218

Dear Dr. Downie & Dr. Baylis:

Thank you for your letter of December 16, 2013, in which you request a copy of Health Canada's policy document related to AHR-related reimbursements. This policy is Health Canada's interpretation of the relevant sections of the *Assisted Human Reproduction Act* ("the Act"), as set out publicly on our website at:

<http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/dhp-mps/brgtherap/legislation/reprod/purchasing-achat-eng.php>

and

<http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/dhp-mps/brgtherap/legislation/reprod/surrogacy-substitution-eng.php>

As you may know, this reflects (and continues) the interpretation of the Act that was publicly given by Assisted Human Reproduction Canada, the Agency previously responsible for compliance and enforcement of the Act.

With respect to your further questions, as per our previous response of December 16, 2013, the Department can only restate that its actions reflect its interpretation of the Act. Ultimately, whether or not an activity contravenes the Act is a matter that would be determined by the courts.

Regards,

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