



**PRETEST: *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act***

**1. What is the purpose of the Act?**

- 1. to make public bodies more open and accountable by providing the public with a right of access to publicly held records.*
- 2. to protect privacy*
- 3. to provide a vehicle for independent review of access decisions by public bodies (the commissioner)*

**2. The Act provides public access to “records”. What is a record?**

*Anything upon which information is stored or recorded by any means whether paper based, electronic, mechanical or otherwise.*

**3. Who is covered by the Act?**

*Provincial government and ministries, local public bodies (school boards, municipalities), agencies, boards, and commissions, colleges, universities, and self-governing professions and occupations.*

**4. What is the time limit for responding to a formal FOI request?**

*30 calendar days (counting weekends).*

**5. Does this information your supervisor provides about you in a reference check belong to you or to your supervisor?**

*It is your information - opinions, evaluations, etc., that are about you belong to you and you have a right to them.*

**6. Embarrassing information can be excepted from disclosure under the Act. True or False?**

*False*

**7. One public body cannot share personal information with another public body. True or False?**

*False. In appropriate circumstances (consistent purpose, information sharing agreement etc.) personal information can be shared.*