



Overview of changes effective July 1 2023

Current	July 1, 2023	Noted Change
Definitions	No change	
1 In this Act,		
"analyst" means a medical laboratory technologist at the Ontario Agency for Health Protection and Promotion's Public Health Lab – Toronto or at another prescribed laboratory operated by the Ontario Agency for Health Protection and Promotion; ("analyste")		
"applicant" means a person who applies to a medical officer of health under section 2; ("requérant")		
"Board" means the Consent and Capacity Board continued under the <i>Health Care Consent Act, 1996</i> ; ("Commission")		
"business day" means a day from Monday to Friday, other than a holiday as defined in section 87 of the <i>Legislation Act, 2006</i> ; ("jour ouvrable")		
"listed communicable disease" means,		
(a) Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (HIV/AIDS),		
(b) Hepatitis B,		
(c) Hepatitis C, or		
(d) a prescribed disease; ("maladie transmissible désignée")		
"Minister" means the member of the Executive Council to whom responsibility for the administration of this Act is assigned or transferred under the Executive Council Act; ("ministre")		
"physician" means a member of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario; ("médecin")		





Overview of changes effective July 1 2023

Current	July 1, 2023	Noted Change
"prescribed" means prescribed by regulations made under this Act; ("prescrit")		
"regulations" means regulations made under this Act; ("règlements")		
"respondent" means the person who the applicant identifies as a person with whose bodily substance the applicant came into contact. ("intimé") 2006, c. 26, s. 1; 2009, c. 33, Sched. 9, s. 7 (1, 2); 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 1.		
	No change	
Application for blood sample and analysis		
2 Any person may apply to a medical officer of health to have a blood sample of another person analysed if the applicant came into contact with a bodily substance of the other person in any of the following circumstances:		
1. As a result of being the victim of a crime.		
 While providing emergency health care services or emergency first aid to the person, if the person was ill, injured or unconscious as a result of an accident or other emergency. 		
In the course of his or her duties, if the person belongs to a prescribed class.		
 While being involved in a prescribed circumstance or while carrying out a prescribed activity. 2006, c. 26, s. 2. 		
Request for voluntary sample & analysis Sec. 3(1) Upon the receipt of an application by a person under	section 3 of the Act is repealed and the following substituted: (See: 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 2)	All of Section 3 is replaces with new language.
section 2 that meets the requirements of the regulations, the	3 (1) Upon the receipt of an application by a person under section 2 that meets the	





Overview of changes effective July 1 2023

Current	July 1, 2023	Noted Change
medical officer of health shall attempt to contact the respondent and request that the respondent provide either,	requirements of the regulations, the medical officer of health shall,	
(a) a blood sample for the purpose of having it analysed in accordance with the regulations; or	(a) immediately refer the application to the Board; and	 Application goes straight to the board,
(b) other evidence of his or her seropositivity respecting the listed communicable diseases that is in accordance	(b) attempt to contact the respondent and request that the respondent provide either,	does not wait to see if there is voluntary
with the regulations. 2006, c. 26, s. 3 (1).	(i) a blood sample for the purpose of having it analysed in accordance	compliance.
Notice of possible referral to the board. Sec. 3(2) Where the medical officer of health contacts the	with the regulations, or	
respondent under subsection (1), the medical officer of health shall advise the respondent that if he or she fails to provide a blood sample or other evidence voluntarily, the application will be referred to the Board and that an order to provide a blood sample may be made	(ii) other evidence of his or her seropositivity respecting the listed communicable diseases that is in accordance with the regulations. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 2.	
	Notice of referral to Board	
Failure to obtain sample Sec. 3 (3) If the respondent fails to provide a blood sample or other evidence as requested by the medical officer of health by the end of the second day after the medical officer of health received the application, or if, despite reasonable efforts, the respondent cannot be located in that time, the medical officer of health shall refer the application to the Board. 2006, c. 26, s. 3 (3).	(2) Where the medical officer of health contacts the respondent under clause (1) (b), the medical officer of health shall advise the respondent that,	
	(a) the application has been referred to the Board; and	 When Medical officer of health talks to
	(b) if the respondent fails to provide a blood sample or other evidence voluntarily, the Board, after a hearing, may make an order requiring the respondent to provide the blood sample. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 2.	respondent, they notify that application has been sent, not that it could be sent (as previously indicated)
	Voluntary sample or evidence provided	maicated)
	(3) If, before the Board renders a decision under section 5, the Board is satisfied based on the evidence it receives that the respondent has provided a blood sample or other evidence	





Overview of changes effective July 1 2023

Current	July 1, 2023	Noted Change
	of his or her seropositivity, the Board is not required to further hear the matter or to render a decision. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 2.	
	Withdrawal of application	
	(4) An applicant may, at any time before the Board renders a decision under section 5, withdraw his or her application in accordance with the regulations and if an applicant has done so the Board shall terminate the hearing. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 2.	
Hearing by Board	subsection 4 (1) of the Act is amended by	
Sec 4 (1) Upon the referral of an application under section 3, the Board shall hold a hearing to determine whether the respondent should be ordered to provide a blood sample for analysis. 2006, c. 26, s. 4 (1).	striking out "section 3" and substituting "clause 3 (1) (a)". (See: 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 3 (1)) striking out "section 3" and substituting "clause 3 (1) (a)"	
Parties	subsection 4 (2) of the Act is repealed and the following substituted: (See: 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 3 (2))	
Sec. 4 (2) The parties to the hearing are the applicant, the	(2) The parties to the hearing are the applicant,	Now includes specifying medical professionals
respondent and any other persons specified by the	the respondent and any other persons,	The direction of the control of the
Board. 2006, c. 26, s. 4 (2).	including any medical professionals, specified by the Board. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 3 (2).	
Timing of hearing	subsection 4 (3) of the Act is repealed and the following substituted: (See: 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 3 (2))	
Sec 4 (3) Subject to subsection (4) and despite subsection 75 (2) of the <i>Health Care Consent Act, 1996</i> , the Board shall	Timing of hearing	





Overview of changes effective July 1 2023

Current	July 1, 2023	Noted Change
commence and conclude the hearing within seven days after it receives the referral of the application. 2006, c. 26, s. 4 (3).	(3) Subject to subsection (4) and despite subsections 75 (2) and (3) of the <i>Health Care Consent Act, 1996</i> , the Board shall commence and conclude the hearing and render its decision within five business days after it receives the referral of the application. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 3 (2).	Shortening time for board hearing from 7 to 5 days
Extension Sec 4 (4) The Board may commence or conclude the hearing within a longer period than the seven days required by subsection (3) if all the parties to the hearing consent to the extension. 2006, c. 26, s. 4 (4).	subsection 4 (4) of the Act is repealed and the following substituted: (See: 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 3 (2)) (4) Subject to section 5.1, the Board may commence or conclude the hearing within a longer period than the five business days required by subsection (3) in the prescribed circumstances. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 3 (2).	
Decision of Board Sec 5 (1) Upon the conclusion of the hearing, the Board shall decide whether the respondent should be ordered to provide a blood sample for analysis and it may decide that the respondent should be so ordered only if the Board believes, on reasonable and probable grounds, that, (a) the applicant came into contact with a bodily substance of the respondent in a circumstance described in section 2; (b) the applicant may have become infected with a virus that causes a listed communicable disease as a result of coming into contact with the bodily substance; (c) by reason of the lengthy incubation periods for the		





Overview of changes effective July 1 2023

Current	July 1, 2023	Noted Change
for ascertaining the presence in the human body of the viruses that cause them, an analysis of the applicant's blood would not accurately determine, in a timely manner, whether the applicant had become infected with a virus that causes the listed communicable disease as a result of coming into contact with the bodily substance;		
(d) taking a blood sample from the respondent would not endanger his or her life or health;		
(e) the applicant has submitted to the medical officer of health a physician report, made within seven days after the applicant came into contact with the bodily substance of the respondent, that assesses the risk to the health of the applicant as a result of that contact; and	clause 5 (1) (e) of the Act is amended by striking out "seven days" and substituting "30 days". (See: 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 4 (1))	Extended time for applicant report to 30 days from 7.
(f) having regard to the physician report required by clause (e), the taking and analysis of a blood sample from the respondent is necessary to decrease or eliminate the risk to the health of the applicant as a result of the applicant's having come into contact with the bodily substance. 2006, c. 26, s. 5 (1).		
Order		
Sec. 5(2) If the Board decides that the respondent should be ordered to provide a blood sample for analysis, the Board shall, at the same time as it makes its decision, make an order, (a) requiring the respondent to allow a physician named in the order or a person belonging to a prescribed class of persons to take a blood sample from the respondent, by the date or within the time specified in the order;	clause 5 (2) (a) of the Act is repealed and the following substituted: (See: 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 4 (2)) a) requiring the respondent to allow a physician or a person belonging to a prescribed class of persons to take a blood sample from the respondent within two business days after the order is provided to the respondent or the respondent's counsel or agent;	Now specifies within 2 days, doesn't leave the order open for variation in timeframes.





Overview of changes effective July 1 2023

Current	July 1, 2023	Noted Change
(b) requiring the physician or other person to whom the respondent goes for the taking of a blood sample to take the blood sample and to deal with it in the manner specified in the regulations and the order, including to deliver it to an analyst; and		
(c) requiring the analyst to whom the sample is delivered,		
 (i) to analyse the blood sample and report on the results of the analysis in accordance with the regulations and the requirements specified in the order, 		
(ii) to make reasonable attempts to deliver the report on the results of the analysis to the applicant's physician,		
(iii) to make reasonable attempts to deliver the report on the results of the analysis to the respondent's physician, if requested by the respondent,		
(iv) to make reasonable attempts to deliver to the applicant,		
 (A) a notice that the analyst delivered the report on the results of the analysis to the applicant's physician or made reasonable attempts to do so, and 		
(B) a recommendation that the applicant consult his or her physician for a proper interpretation of the results of the analysis, and		
 (v) if the respondent requested that the report on the results of the analysis be delivered to his or her physician, to make reasonable attempts to deliver to the respondent, 		
 (A) a notice that the analyst delivered the report on the results of the analysis to the respondent's 		





Overview of changes effective July 1 2023

Current	July 1, 2023	Noted Change
physician or made reasonable attempts to do so, and (B) a recommendation that the respondent consult his or her physician for a proper interpretation of the results of the analysis. 2006, c. 26, s. 5 (2).		
When decision to be made Sec. 5 (3) Despite subsection 75 (3) of the <i>Health Care Consent Act, 1996</i> , the Board shall make its decision within one day after the day the hearing ends, but if that day falls on a Saturday or a Sunday or other holiday, the deadline shall be extended by one day. 2006, c. 26, s. 5 (3).	subsection 5 (3) of the Act is repealed and the following substituted: (See: 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 4 (3)) Notice of decision, order (3) Subject to subsection (4), the Board shall, on the day it renders its decision, provide each party or the party's counsel or agent and the medical officer of health who referred the application to the Board with a copy of the Board's decision and of any order made by the Board. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 4 (3).	Decision documentation is provided on say it makes decision, not "within one day"
Notice of decision, order Sec. 5 (4) The Board shall, within the time provided in subsection (3), provide each party or the party's counsel or agent and the medical officer of health who referred the application to the Board with a copy of the Board's decision and of any order made by the Board. 2006, c. 26, s. 5 (4).	subsection 5 (4) of the Act is repealed and the following substituted: (See: 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 4 (3)) Extension (4) Subject to section 5.1, the Board may provide a party or a party's counsel or agent with a copy of the Board's decision and of any order made by the Board within a longer period than the period required by subsection (3) in the prescribed circumstances. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 4 (3).	





Overview of changes effective July 1 2023

Current	July 1, 2023	Noted Change
Decision final Sec. 5 (5) Despite section 80 of the Health Care Consent Act, 1996, the decision of the Board is final. 2006, c. 26, s. 5 (5).	No Change	
	Adding the following section: (See: 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 5) Exceptional circumstances 5.1 For the purposes of a regulation made under subsection 4 (4) or 5 (4), the prescribed circumstances must be, in the opinion of the Minister, circumstances that would make it exceptionally difficult for the Board to comply with subsection 4 (3) or 5 (3) within the time period specified in those subsections. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 5.	Adding Sec 5.1 (not in current)
Court order for compliance Sec. 6 (1) If a respondent does not comply with an order made by the Board under section 5 by the date or within the time specified in the order, the applicant may apply to a judge of the Superior Court of Justice for an order requiring the respondent to, (a) comply with the order of the Board within the time specified in the order of the court; and (b) take whatever other action the court considers appropriate in the circumstances. 2006, c. 26, s. 6.	section 6 of the Act is repealed and the following substituted: (See: 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 6) Court order for compliance 6 (1) If a respondent does not comply with an order made by the Board under section 5 within two business days after the order is provided to the respondent or the respondent's counsel or agent in accordance with section 5, the applicant may apply to a judge of the Superior Court of Justice for, and the judge may grant, an order requiring the respondent to comply with the order of the Board within	Respondent must comply wihtin 2 business days (not left open ended for dating of the timeframe by the board), and if they don't applicant can appeal to Superior court.





Overview of changes effective July 1 2023

Current	July 1, 2023	Noted Change
	the time specified in the order of the court. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 6.	
	Same	
	(2) A judge of the Superior Court of Justice who grants an order under subsection (1) may include in the order,	Superior court judge can now indicate
	(a) authorization for a police officer to provide such assistance as the judge may direct to a physician or a person belonging to a prescribed class of persons authorized to take a blood sample in carrying out any of his or her responsibilities pursuant to the order; and	authorization of police to provide assistance in obtaining person to get blood sample within their court order.
	(b) such other directions as the judge considers appropriate in the circumstances. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 6.	
 7 (2) An analyst who receives a blood sample for analysis from a medical officer of health under section 3 or pursuant to an order of the Board under section 5, (a) shall ensure that the sample is not used for any purpose other than its analysis in accordance with the regulations and the reporting of results as required by and in accordance with the regulations and as described in clause 5 (2) (c); 	subsection 7 (2) of the Act is amended by striking out the portion before clause (a) and substituting the following: (See: 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 7) (2) An analyst who receives a blood sample for analysis under section 3 or pursuant to an order of the Board under section 5	subsection 7 (2) of the Act is amended by striking out the portion before clause (a) – clauses have not changed.
(b) shall not release the sample to any person other than in accordance with the regulations, or for the purpose of having a person acting on behalf of the analyst retain the sample as long as no person other than the analyst has access to the sample; and	(Note: Clauses a,b,c have no change)	
(c) despite the <i>Personal Health Information Protection Act,</i> 2004, shall not disclose the results of the analysis of the		





Overview of changes effective July 1 2023

Current	July 1, 2023	Noted Change
blood sample to any person other than in accordance with the regulations and the order. 2006, c. 26, s. 7 (2).		
Application of Health Care Consent Act, 1996 Sec. 7 (3) The Health Care Consent Act, 1996 does not apply to the taking of a blood sample pursuant to an order of the Board. 2006, c. 26, s. 7 (3).	No change	
Results of analysis not admissible in criminal proceeding Sec. 8 The results of an analysis done pursuant to a request made by a medical officer of health under section 3 or an order of the Board under section 5 are not admissible in evidence in a criminal proceeding	No change	
Protection from personal liability 9 (1) No action or other proceeding for damages or otherwise shall be instituted against a medical officer of health, an associate medical officer of health or an acting medical officer of health for any act done in good faith in the execution or the intended execution of any duty or power under this Act or for any alleged neglect or default in the execution in good faith of any such duty or power. 2006, c. 26, s. 9 (1).	No change	
Exception		





Overview of changes effective July 1 2023

Current	July 1, 2023	Noted Change
Sec. 9(2) Subsection (1) does not apply to prevent an application for judicial review. 2006, c. 26, s. 9 (2).		
Board of health not relieved of liability		
Sec. 9(3) Subsection (1) does not relieve a board of health from liability for damage caused by the negligence of, or action without authority by, a person referred to in subsection (1), and a board of health is liable for such damage in the same manner as if subsection (1) had not been enacted. 2006, c. 26, s. 9 (3).		
Protection from liability for complying with order to take or		
analyse sample, etc.		
Sec. 9(4) No action or other proceeding for damages or otherwise shall be instituted against a person for any act done in good faith in compliance with an order under clause 5 (2) (b) or (c). 2006, c. 26, s. 9 (4).		
Protection from liability for reports		
Sec. 9 (5) No action or other proceeding shall be instituted against a person for making, in good faith, a physician report for the purposes of clause 5 (1) € or any other report referred to or required by this Act or the regulations. 2006, c. 26, s. 9 (5).		
No p12hysician-patient relationship		
Sec. 9 (6) Nothing in this Act and nothing done under this Act creates a physician-patient relationship or other relationship of		





Overview of changes effective July 1 2023

Current	July 1, 2023	Noted Change
trust between a medical officer of health and an applicant or respondent. 2006, c. 26, s. 9 (6).		
Offence Sec. 10 (1) Every person who fails to obey an order of the Board made under this Act is guilty of an offence. 2006, c. 26, s. 10 (1). Same Sec. 10 (2) Every person who contravenes or fails to comply with a requirement of this Act or of a regulation made under this Act is guilty of an offence. 2006, c. 26, s. 10 (2). Penalty	subsection 10 (3) of the Act is repealed and the following substituted: (See: 2019, c. 1,	Fines increased from
Sec. 10 (3) Every person who is guilty of an offence under this Act is liable on conviction to a fine of not more than \$5,000 for every day or part of a day on which the offence occurs or continues. 2006, c. 26, s. 10 (3).	Sched. 7, s. 8) (3) Every person who is guilty of an offence under this Act is liable on conviction to a fine of not more than \$10,000 for every day or part of a day on which the offence occurs or continues or to imprisonment for a term of not more than six months, or to both. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 8.	\$5,000 to \$10,000 per day, and now include option of imprisonment (or both)
Regulations	subsection 11 (1) of the Act is amended by adding the following clause: (See: 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 9 (2))	





Overview of changes effective July 1 2023

Current	July 1, 2023	Noted Change
Sec 11 (1) The Minister may make regulations,	(O.a) prescribing anything that is referred to in this Act as prescribed;	
(a) prescribing diseases that are listed communicable diseases for the purposes of this Act;		
(a.1) prescribing laboratories for the purpose of the definition of "analyst" in section 1;	Subsection 11 (1) of the Act is amended by adding the following clause: (See: 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 9 (3)) (f.1) establishing and governing the process for an applicant to withdraw his or her application for the purposes of subsection 3 (4).	
(b) defining "victim of a crime" for the purpose of paragraph 1 of section 2;		
(c) prescribing classes of persons for the purpose of paragraph 3 of section 2;		
(d) prescribing circumstances and activities for the purpose of paragraph 4 of section 2;		
(e) governing an application to a medical officer of health under section 2 and the actions taken by a medical officer of health pursuant to an application;		
(f) prescribing other evidence of seropositivity respecting the listed communicable diseases that may be provided pursuant to a request made by a medical officer of health under section 3 and governing the obtaining and provision of that evidence;		
(g) governing the taking and analysis of blood samples pursuant to a request made by a medical officer of health under section 3 or an order of the Board under section 5, including requiring reports on the taking of blood samples and on the analysis and governing the reports;		
 (h) governing the physician report required by clause 5 (1) (e), including prescribing the classes of physicians or qualifications of physicians who may prepare the report, prescribing the examination and testing, including base line testing, and counselling and treatment that the 	clause 11 (1) (i) of the Act is amended by striking out "clause 5 (2) (a)" at the end and substituting "clauses 5 (2) (a) and 6 (2) (a)"	





Overview of changes effective July 1 2023

		morniation purposes only.
Current	July 1, 2023	Noted Change
physician must or may conduct to prepare the report and prescribing the information that the report must or may contain;	clause 11 (1) (i) of the Act is amended by striking out "clause 5 (2) (a)" at the end and substituting "clauses 5 (2) (a) and 6 (2) (a)"	
(i) prescribing classes of persons for the purpose of clause 5 (2) (a);		
governing the reports and notices required pursuant to an analysis of a blood sample obtained under section 3 or pursuant to an order of the Board under section 5, including prescribing the information that such reports and notices must or may contain;		
(k) specifying restrictions or conditions on the use that any person may make of the blood sample provided pursuant to a request made by a medical officer of health under section 3 or an order of the Board under section 5, on the release of the blood sample and on the use or disclosure of any information derived from the blood sample;		
 (I) prescribing rules governing when an application is deemed to be received by a medical officer of health or the Board; 	clause 11 (1) (m) of the Act is repealed. (See: 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 9 (5))	
(m) prescribing the maximum time period within which a respondent must comply with an order made under section 5 and that may be specified by the Board in such an order. 2006, c. 26, s. 11 (1); 2009, c. 33, Sched. 9, s. 7 (3); 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 9 (1).		
Classes	No change	
Sec. 11 (2) A regulation may apply differently to different classes		
of persons, circumstances or listed communicable		
diseases. 2006, c. 26, s. 11 (2).		





Overview of changes effective July 1 2023

Current	July 1, 2023	Noted Change
Forms Sec. 12 The Minister may require that physician reports, the order made by the Board and other reports, notices and documents required by this Act or the regulations be in the forms approved by him or her. 2006, c. 26, s. 12; 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 10.	No change	
Transition Sec. 13 (1) An order that was made by a medical officer of health under section 22.1 of the <i>Health Protection and Promotion Act</i> before this section comes into force remains effective after this section comes into force. 2006, c. 26, s. 13 (1). Same (2) An application made to a medical officer of health under section 22.1 of the <i>Health Protection and Promotion Act</i> before this section comes into force is deemed to have been made to a medical officer of health under section 2 of this Act on the day this section comes into force if the medical officer of health did not make an order or commence a hearing under section 22.1 of the <i>Health Protection and Promotion Act</i> before this section comes into force. 2006, c. 26, s. 13 (2). Same (3) An application made to a medical officer of health under section 22.1 of the <i>Health Protection and Promotion Act</i> before	section 13 of the Act is repealed and the following substituted: (See: 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 11) Transition 13 An application made to a medical officer of health under section 2 before the day section 11 of Schedule 7 to the Comprehensive Ontario Police Services Act, 2019 comes into force shall be dealt with as provided in this Act and the regulations as they read immediately before that day. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 7, s. 11.	





Overview of changes effective July 1 2023

	The state of the s	
Current	July 1, 2023	Noted Change
this section comes into force shall be dealt with as provided in section 22.1 of the <i>Health Protection and Promotion Act</i> , as it read immediately before this section comes into force, if the medical officer of health commenced a hearing into the application under that Act before this section comes into force. 2006, c. 26, s. 13 (3).		
Same		
(4) The Health Protection and Promotion Act and the regulations made under it, as they read immediately before this section comes into force, apply in respect of an order made by a medical officer of health,		
(a) under section 22.1 of the <i>Health Protection and Promotion Act</i> before this section comes into force; or		
(b) under section 22.1 of the <i>Health Protection and Promotion Act</i> , after this section comes into force, pursuant to subsection (3). 2006, c. 26, s. 13 (4).		
14, 15 OMITTED (AMENDS OR REPEALS OTHER ACTS). 2006, c. 26, ss. 14, 15.	No Change.	
16 Omitted (provides for coming into force of provisions of this Act). 2006, c. 26, s. 16.		
17 OMITTED (ENACTS SHORT TITLE OF THIS ACT). 2006, c. 26, s. 17.		