

## **Appendix 2** (as supplied by the authors): Details of ethics review approvals and British Columbia data sources

### **Ethics review**

The study was approved by the following human research ethics boards/committees:

1. The University of British Columbia Office of Research Ethics Clinical Research Ethics Board, Approval number H12-03400
2. University of Manitoba Health Research Ethics Board, Approval number HS 16168
3. University of Saskatchewan Biomedical Research Ethics Board, Approval number 12-297
4. In Ontario the study was covered by an exempted approval granted by the Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre Research Ethics Board for projects conducted with de-identified data at the Institute for Clinical Evaluative Sciences, a prescribed entity under the Personal Health Information Protection Act (Ontario)

### **British Columbia data sources**

The BC Ministry of Health and the BC Vital Statistics Agency approved access to and use of BC data facilitated by Population Data BC for this study. The British Columbia data sources were as follows (<http://www.popdata.bc.ca/data>): British Columbia Ministry of Health [creator] (2014): Medical Services Plan (MSP) Payment Information File. V2. Population Data BC [publisher]. Data Extract. MOH (2014); British Columbia Ministry of Health [creator] (2014): PharmaNet. V2. Population Data BC [publisher]. Data Extract. MOH (2014); Canadian Institute for Health Information [creator] (2014): Discharge Abstract Database (Hospital Separations). V2. Population Data BC [publisher]. Data Extract. MOH (2014). British Columbia Ministry of Health [creator] (2014): Consolidation File (MSP Registration and Premium Billing). V2. Population Data BC [publisher]. Data Extract. MOH (2014); BC Vital Statistics Agency [creator] (2014): Vital Statistics Births. V2. Population Data BC [publisher]. Data Extract. BC Vital Statistics Agency (2014); BC Vital Statistics Agency [creator] (2014): Vital Statistics Stillbirths. V2. Population Data BC [publisher]. Data Extract. BC Vital Statistics Agency (2014); BC Vital Statistics Agency [creator] (2014): Vital Statistics Marriages. V2. Population Data BC [publisher]. Data Extract. BC Vital Statistics Agency (2014); BC Vital Statistics Agency [creator] (2014): Vital Statistics Deaths. V2. Population Data BC [publisher]. Data Extract BC Vital Statistics Agency (2014).