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Re: Notice of Data Security Incident

To <<Name 1>>:

We are writing to inform you of a data security incident at Barton Oaks Dental Group ("Barton Oaks").

On March 23, 2017, Barton Oaks incurred a ransomware attack in which certain of our servers, and PCs were encrypted. We immediately took action by contacting both the FBI and a cybersecurity firm, which conducted an investigation. After searching our hard drives, they felt that there was a very low probability that any of our data was copied. Because we take the security of all patients and their information very seriously, we have decided to treat this incident as one that may have resulted in the disclosure of your medical and personal information (which includes your name, address, date of birth, Social Security number, and medical information).

While we are not aware of the misuse of any information potentially involved in this incident, we are notifying you out of caution. As a precautionary measure to safeguard your information from potential misuse, we have partnered with Equifax® to provide its Equifax Credit Watch™ Silver identity theft protection product for one year at no charge to you. A description of this product is provided in the attached material, which also contains instructions about how to enroll (including your personal activation code). If you choose to take advantage of this product, it will provide you with comprehensive credit file monitoring, automated alerts of key changes to your credit report, and up to \$25,000 in identity theft insurance with no deductible. You must complete the enrollment process by August 17, 2017. We strongly recommend enrolling in this product at our expense.

We have completed the implementation of every hardware, software and procedural recommendation provided by the cybersecurity firm which we retained as a result of this incident. During this transition we were advised to leave certain systems off, which impeded our ability to contact you. We are now confident that our systems and data are secure.

We take the security of all information in our systems very seriously, and we have implemented security best practices to prevent a similar event from occurring in the future. We apologize for our limited ability to communicate with you and the cumbersome nature of our appointment management over the last month.

We sincerely regret any inconvenience or concern that this matter may cause you. We remain dedicated to protecting your information. Please do not hesitate to call 1-888-742-8338, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Central Time if you have questions about this event.

Sincerely,

Drs. Neeley, Nemeth, Hayashi, Grimm and Bradley



About the Equifax Credit WatchTM Silver identity theft protection product

Equifax Credit Watch will provide you with an "early warning system" to changes to your credit file. Note: You must be over age 18 with a credit file in order to take advantage of the product.

Equifax Credit Watch provides you with the following key features and benefits:

- Comprehensive credit file monitoring and automated alerts of key changes to your **Equifax** credit report
- Wireless alerts and customizable alerts available (available online only)
- One copy of your Equifax Credit ReportTM
- Up to \$25,000 in identity theft insurance with \$0 deductible, at no additional cost to you †
- Live agent Customer Service 7 days a week from 8 a.m. to 3 a.m.to assist you in understanding the content of your Equifax credit information, to provide personalized identity theft victim assistance, and help initiate an investigation of inaccurate information.
- 90 day Fraud Alert placement with automatic renewal functionality* (available online only)

How to Enroll: To sign up online for online delivery go to: www.myservices.equifax.com/silver

- Welcome Page: Enter the Activation Code provided at the top of this page in the "Activation Code" box and click the "Submit" button.
- Register: Complete the form with your contact information (name, gender, home address, date of birth, Social Security Number and telephone number) and click the "Continue" button.
- Create Account: Complete the form with your email address, create a User Name and Password, check the box to accept the Terms of Use and click the "Continue" button.
- Verify ID: The system will then ask you up to four security questions to verify your identity. Please answer the questions and click the "Submit Order" button.
- Order Confirmation: This page shows you your completed enrollment. Please click the "View My Product" button to access the product features.

The Automatic Fraud Alert feature made available to consumers by Equifax Information Services LLC and fulfilled on its behalf by Equifax Consumer Services LLC

[†] Identity Theft Insurance underwritten by insurance company subsidiaries or affiliates of American International Group, Inc. The description herein is a summary and intended for informational purposes only and does not include all terms, conditions and exclusions of the policies described. Please refer to the actual policies for terms, conditions, and exclusions of coverage. Coverage may not be available in all jurisdictions. This product is not intended for minors (under 18 years of age)

Additional Important Information

For residents of *Hawaii*, *Michigan*, *Missouri*, *Virginia*, *Vermont*, and *North Carolina*: It is recommended by state law that you remain vigilant for incidents of fraud and identity theft by reviewing credit card account statements and monitoring your credit report for unauthorized activity.

For residents of Illinois, Iowa, Maryland, Missouri, North Carolina, Oregon, and West Virginia:

It is required by state laws to inform you that you may obtain a copy of your credit report, free of charge, whether or not you suspect any unauthorized activity on your account. You may obtain a free copy of your credit report from each of the nationwide three credit reporting agencies. To order your free credit report, please visit www.annualcreditreport.com, or call toll-free at 1-877-322-8228. You can also order your annual free credit report by mailing a completed Annual Credit Report Request Form (available at https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0155-free-credit-reports) to: Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA, 30348-5281.

For residents of *Iowa*:

State law advises you to report any suspected identity theft to law enforcement or to the Attorney General.

For residents of *Oregon*:

State laws advise you to report any suspected identity theft to law enforcement, including the Attorney General, and the Federal Trade Commission.

For residents of Maryland, Rhode Island, Illinois, and North Carolina:

You can obtain information from the Maryland and North Carolina Offices of the Attorneys General and the Federal Trade Commission about fraud alerts, security freezes, and steps you can take toward preventing identity theft.

Maryland Office of the Attorney General

Consumer Protection Division 200 St. Paul Place Baltimore, MD 21202 1-888-743-0023 www.oag.state.md.us

Rhode Island Office of the Attorney General

Consumer Protection 150 South Main Street Providence RI 02903 1-401-274-4400 www.riag.ri.gov

North Carolina Office of the Attorney General

Consumer Protection Division 9001 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-9001 1-877-566-7226 www.ncdoj.com

Federal Trade Commission

Consumer Response Center 600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW Washington, DC 20580 1-877-IDTHEFT (438-4338) www.ftc.gov/bcp/edu/ microsites/idtheft

For residents of Massachusetts:

It is required by state law that you are informed of your right to obtain a police report if you are a victim of identity theft

For residents of all states:

Fraud Alerts: You can place fraud alerts with the three credit bureaus at one of the three major credit bureaus by phone and also via Experian's or Equifax's website. A fraud alert tells creditors to follow certain procedures, including contacting you, before they open any new accounts or change your existing accounts. For that reason, placing a fraud alert can protect you, but also may delay you when you seek to obtain credit. The contact information for all three credit bureaus is below:

Monitoring: You should always remain vigilant and monitor your accounts for suspicious or unusual activity.

Security Freeze: You also have the right to place a security freeze on your credit report. A security freeze is intended to prevent credit, loans and services from being approved in your name without your consent. To place a security freeze on your credit report, you need to make a request to each consumer reporting agency. You may make that request by certified mail, overnight mail, or regular stamped mail, or by following the instructions found at the websites listed below. The following information must be included when requesting a security freeze (note that if you are requesting a credit report for your spouse, this information must be provided for him/her as well): (1) full name, with middle initial and any suffixes; (2) Social Security number; (3) date of birth; (4) current address and any previous addresses for the past five years; and (5) any applicable incident report or complaint with a law enforcement agency or the Registry of Motor Vehicles. The request must also include a copy of a government-issued identification card and a copy of a recent utility bill or bank or insurance statement. It is essential that each copy be legible, display your name and current mailing address, and the date of issue. The consumer reporting agency may charge a small fee to place, life, or remove a freeze, but is free if you are a victim of identity theft or the spouse of a victim of identity theft, and you have submitted a valid police report relating to the identity theft incident to the consumer reporting agency. You may obtain a security freeze by contacting any one or more of the following national consumer reporting agencies:

Equifax Security Freeze P.O. Box 105788 Atlanta, GA 30348 www.freeze.equifax.com 800-525-6285 Experian Security Freeze P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013 www.experian.com/freeze 888-397-3742 **TransUnion (FVAD)**P.O. Box 2000
Chester, PA 19022
freeze.transunion.com
888-680-7289

More information can also be obtained by contacting the Federal Trade Commission listed above.