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August 21, 2024

Subject: Notice of Security Event

Dear << first name>> << last name>>:

We are writing to inform you that your personal health data at ParkTree Community Health Center ("ParkTree") may have been exposed to an unknown party on February 7, 2024.

### What Data Was Involved

The data incident may have involved your first and last name, date of birth, health plan identification number, medical record number, contact information, gender, and clinical details (such as diagnoses, medications, and doctor's notes). The data incident did not involve any personal data, like your Social Security number or driver's license. This means you are not at risk of identity theft because of this event.

#### What We Are Doing

ParkTree has reported the event to the proper authorities and taken steps to enhance network security and minimize risk of a repeat incident. While ParkTree takes many steps to prevent data incidents, they can and do still happen. We are sorry for any issues this may cause you. Please know that ParkTree reviews and updates our security policies and procedures as needed. Rest assured, ParkTree makes our best efforts to protect your privacy and personal data.

#### What You Can Do

ParkTree urges you to always take steps to avoid identity theft. Review all your account statements, explanation of benefits, credit reports and other data. Look for errors or suspicious items and report them right away. For more tips like these, please read the enclosed "Steps You Can Take to Help Protect Your Personal Information."

## What If You Have Questions

Please call 1-877-202-5507 Monday through Friday from 9am – 9pm Easter (excluding US Holidays)

To your health,

David Kadar Chief Executive Officer Pomona Community Health Center dba ParkTree Community Health Center

# Steps You Can Take to Help Protect Your Personal Information

**Review Your Account Statements and Notify Law Enforcement of Suspicious Activity:** As a precautionary measure, we recommend that you remain vigilant by reviewing your account statements and credit reports closely. If you detect any suspicious activity on an account, you should promptly notify the financial institution or company with which the account is maintained. You also should promptly report any fraudulent activity or any suspected incidence of identity theft to proper law enforcement authorities, your state attorney general, and/or the Federal Trade Commission (FTC).

**Copy of Credit Report:** You may obtain a free copy of your credit report from each of the three major credit reporting agencies once every 12 months by visiting <u>http://www.annualcreditreport.com/</u>, calling toll-free 1-877-322-8228, or by completing an Annual Credit Report Request Form and mailing it to Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA 30348. You also can contact one of the following three national credit reporting agencies:

Equifax	Experian	TransUnion
P.O. Box 105851	P.O. Box 9532	P.O. Box 1000
Atlanta, GA 30348	Allen, TX 75013	Chester, PA 19016
1-800-525-6285	1-888-397-3742	1-800-916-8800
www.equifax.com	www.experian.com	www.transunion.com

**Fraud Alert:** You may want to consider placing a fraud alert on your credit report. An initial fraud alert is free and will stay on your credit file for at least one year. The alert informs creditors of possible fraudulent activity within your report and requests that the creditor contact you prior to establishing any accounts in your name. To place a fraud alert on your credit report, contact any of the three credit reporting agencies identified above. Additional information is available at <a href="http://www.annualcreditreport.com">http://www.annualcreditreport.com</a>.

**Security Freeze:** You have the right to put a security freeze on your credit file for up to one year at no cost. This will prevent new credit from being opened in your name without the use of a PIN number that is issued to you when you initiate the freeze. A security freeze is designed to prevent potential creditors from accessing your credit report without your consent. As a result, using a security freeze may interfere with or delay your ability to obtain credit. You must separately place a security freeze on your credit file with each credit reporting agency. In order to place a security freeze, you may be required to provide the consumer reporting agency with information that identifies you including your full name, Social Security number, date of birth, current and previous addresses, a copy of your state-issued identification card, and a recent utility bill, bank statement or insurance statement.

Additional Free Resources: You can obtain information from the consumer reporting agencies, the FTC, or from your respective state Attorney General about fraud alerts, security freezes, and steps you can take toward preventing identity theft. You may report suspected identity theft to local law enforcement, including to the FTC or to the Attorney General in your state.

Federal Trade Commission 600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW Washington, DC 20580 <u>consumer.ftc.gov</u> 877-438-4338

California Attorney General 1300 I Street Sacramento, CA 95814 <u>www.oag.ca.gov/privacy</u> 800-952-5225

Kentucky Attorney General 700 Capitol Avenue, Suite 118 Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 <u>www.ag.ky.gov</u> 502-696-5300 Maryland Attorney General 200 St. Paul Place Baltimore, MD 21202 www.marylandattorneygeneral.gov/Pages/CPD 888-743-0023

> New York Attorney General The Capitol Albany, NY 12224 800-771-7755 <u>ag.ny.gov</u>

NY Bureau of Internet and Technology 28 Liberty Street New York, NY 10005 <u>www.dos.ny.gov/consumerprotection/</u> 212-416-8433 Oregon Attorney General 1162 Court St., NE Salem, OR 97301 www.doj.state.or.us/consumerprotection 877-877-9392

Rhode Island Attorney General 150 South Main Street Providence, RI 02903 <u>www.riag.ri.gov</u> 401-274-4400

NC Attorney General 9001 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699 <u>ncdoj.gov/protectingconsumers/</u> 877-566-7226 **You also have certain rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA)**: These rights include to know what is in your file; to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information; to have consumer reporting agencies correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information; as well as other rights. For more information about the FCRA, and your rights pursuant to the FCRA, please visit <u>https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/sites/default/files/articles/pdf/pdf-0096-fair-credit-reporting-act.pdf</u>.