





November 16, 2023

**Subject: Notice of Data << Security Incident/Breach>>** 

Dear <<FIRST NAME>> <<LAST NAME>>:

We are writing to inform you of a recent incident experienced by Wyoming County Community Health System ("WCCHS"), located in Warsaw, New York, that may have involved some of your personal and protected health information. This letter is to notify you of the incident, offer you complimentary credit and identity protection services, and inform you about steps you can take to help protect your information.

What Happened: On March 28, 2023, WCCHS experienced a network disruption. We immediately initiated an investigation of the matter with the assistance of third-party cybersecurity specialists. The investigation determined that certain files stored on our network may have been accessed and acquired without authorization on March 28, 2023. After a thorough review of those files, which concluded on November 8, 2023, we determined that some of your information may have been affected. Notably, there is no evidence that any information has been misused. However, out of an abundance of caution, we are notifying you about the incident and providing you resources to help you protect your personal information.

What Information Was Involved: The data that was impacted included your name and <<data elements>>.

What We Are Doing: We have implemented additional measures to enhance network security and minimize the risk of a similar incident occurring in the future. We notified the Federal Bureau of Investigation and will provide whatever cooperation may be necessary to hold the perpetrators accountable. We are also offering you <<12/24>> months of complimentary identity protection services through IDX, A ZeroFox Company. This product helps detect possible misuse of your information and provides you with identity protection support.

What You Can Do: We encourage you to review the recommendations included with this letter to help protect your information. In addition, you can enroll in the identity protection services free of charge. To enroll, visit the link above or call the number noted above and provide the above code. The deadline to enroll in the complimentary services is February 16, 2023.

**For More Information:** Further information about how to protect your information appears on the following page. We have also established a dedicated call center to answer questions regarding the incident. If you have any questions or need assistance, please call 1-888-867-1620 Monday through Friday from 9 am - 9 pm Eastern Time.

The security of your information is a top priority for WCCHS. We value your trust in us and take this matter very seriously. We deeply regret any worry or inconvenience that this may cause you.

Sincerely,

**David Kobis** 

Chief Executive Officer

Wyoming County Community Health System

400 N. Main St.

Warsaw, NY 14569

#### Steps You Can Take to 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 <a href="http://www.annualcreditreport.com/">http://www.annualcreditreport.com/</a>, 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:

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P.O. Box 105788	P.O. Box 9532	P.O. Box 1000
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**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 consumer.ftc.gov 1-877-438-4338

# North Carolina Attorney General 9001 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699

<u>ncdoj.gov</u> 1-877-566-7226

# **Maryland Attorney General**

St. Paul Plaza 200 St. Paul Place Baltimore, MD 21202 marylandattorneygeneral.gov 1-888-743-0023

## **Rhode Island Attorney General**

150 South Main Street Providence, RI 02903 http://www.riag.ri.gov riag.ri.gov 1-401-274-4400

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Bureau of Internet and Technology Resources 28 Liberty Street New York, NY 10005 ag.ny.gov 1-212-416-8433 / 1-800-771-7755

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400 S 6th Street, NW Washington, DC 20001 oag.dc.gov 1-202-727-3400 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 <a href="https://files.consumerfinance.gov/f/201504\_cfpb\_summary\_your-rights-under-fcra.pdf">https://files.consumerfinance.gov/f/201504\_cfpb\_summary\_your-rights-under-fcra.pdf</a>.



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