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# **Notice of Data Incident**

#### Dear <<<first\_name>> <<<middle\_name>> <<<last\_name>> <<<suffix>>:

ESO Solutions, Inc. ("ESO") provides software services that help hospitals and healthcare systems improve operations, quality, and patient outcomes. For this reason, we are likely to have your information from when a healthcare organization provided injury or emergency care to you in the past. We are writing to inform you of an incident that may have exposed your protected health information. We take the security of your information seriously and want to provide you with information you can use to help protect yourself.

#### What Happened

On September 28, 2023, we detected and stopped a sophisticated ransomware incident, in which an unauthorized third party accessed and encrypted some of ESO's computer systems. We immediately took the affected systems offline, secured our network environment, and engaged third-party forensic specialists to assist us with investigating the extent of any unauthorized activity.

Our investigation determined that the unauthorized third party may have acquired your personal data during this incident. Please know that we have taken all reasonable steps to prevent your data from being further published or distributed, have notified and are working with federal law enforcement to investigate.

On October 23, 2023, we determined that your personal and patient information was located on one of the impacted systems. While we have found no evidence that your information has been misused, we are notifying you of this incident and offering you the resources provided in this letter, in an abundance of caution and so that you can take precautionary steps to help protect yourself, should you wish to do so. ESO recommends that you proceed with caution, and take advantage of the resources provided in this letter.

## What Information Was Involved

At present there is no evidence that any of your personal information has been misused; however, the impacted data may have contained your personal information, including your name, social security number, phone number, address, and medical treatment information. Additionally, it is possible that the following protected health information fields could have been accessed: patient account and/or medical record number, injury and diagnosis information, procedure type (if applicable), insurance and payer information, and other items found in your registry file. At this time, we do not have evidence that your information has been misused.

## What We Are Doing

Data security is one of our highest priorities. Upon discovery of the incident, we immediately secured our networks, implemented measures to confirm the security of our systems, safely restored our systems and operations via viable backups, initiated an investigation of the incident with the assistance of forensic experts, and notified the FBI (Federal Bureau of Investigation).

We value the safety of your personal information and want to make sure you have the information you need so that you can take steps to further protect yourself, should you feel it appropriate to do so. We encourage you to remain vigilant and to regularly review and monitor relevant account statements and credit reports and report suspected incidents of identity

theft to local law enforcement, your state's Attorney General, or the Federal Trade Commission (the "FTC"). We have included more information on these steps below.

In addition, we are providing you with access to 12 months of identity monitoring through Kroll at no charge to you.

## What You Can Do

To help relieve concerns following this incident, we have secured the services of Kroll to provide identity monitoring at no cost to you for 12 months. Kroll is a global leader in risk mitigation and response, and their team has extensive experience helping people who have sustained an unintentional exposure of confidential data. Your identity monitoring services include Credit Monitoring, Fraud Consultation, and Identity Theft Restoration

Visit https://enroll.krollmonitoring.com to activate and take advantage of your identity monitoring services.

*You have until* <<<u>b2b\_text\_6</u> (activation date)>> *to activate your identity monitoring services.* 

Membership Number: <<Membership Number s\_n>>

For more information about Kroll and your Identity Monitoring services, you can visit info.krollmonitoring.com.

#### **Additional Steps**

In addition to activating the complimentary identity monitoring services being offered, we encourage you to review the enclosed *Additional Important Information* for additional guidance on how to help protect against identify theft and fraud.

#### **For More Information**

On behalf of ESO, please accept our sincere apology for this incident and any inconvenience it may cause you. We value the security of the protected health information and personal information that we maintain, and understand the frustration, concern, and inconvenience that this incident may have caused. I can assure you that we continue to build on our already substantial investments in cybersecurity to prevent an incident like this from reoccurring and protect you and your information, now and in the future.

Representatives are available to assist you with questions regarding this incident, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday, excluding major U.S. holidays. Please call the help line at (866) 347-8525 with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Cummings Chief Information Security Officer ESO

## Additional Important Information

**For residents of** *Hawaii, Michigan, Missouri, North Carolina, Vermont, Virginia, and Wyoming*: 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 three nationwide credit reporting agencies. To order your free credit report, please visit <u>www.annualcreditreport.com</u>, 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 <u>https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0155-free-credit-reports</u>) to: Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA, 30348-5281.

**For residents of** *Vermont***:** If you do not have internet access but would like to learn more about how to place a security freeze on your credit report, contact the Vermont Attorney General's Office at 802-656-3183 (800-649-2424 toll free in Vermont only).

**For residents of** *New Mexico***:** Individuals interacting with credit reporting agencies have rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act. We encourage you to review your rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act by visiting https://files. consumerfinance.gov/f/documents/bcfp\_consumer-rights-summary\_2018-09.pdf, or by requesting information in writing from the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, 1700 G Street N.W., Washington, DC 20552.

**For residents of** *Washington, D.C.***:** You can obtain information about steps to take to avoid identity theft from the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia at: 441 4th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001; 202-727-3400; www.oag.dc.gov.

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, New York, and North Carolina*: You can obtain information from the Maryland and North Carolina Offices of the Attorney 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 <u>www.oag.state.md.us</u>

Rhode Island Office of the Attorney General Consumer Protection, 150 South Main Street, Providence, RI 02903 1-401-274-4400 <u>www.riag.ri.gov</u>

North Carolina Office of the Attorney General Consumer Protection Division, 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-9001 1-877-566-7226 <u>www.ncdoj.com</u>

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

**New York Office of Attorney General** Consumer Frauds & Protection, The Capitol, Albany, NY 12224 1-800-771-7755 <u>https://ag.ny.gov/consumer-frauds/identity-theft</u>

**For residents of** *Massachusetts and Rhode Island*: 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 by phone and online with Equifax (https://assets. equifax.com/assets/personal/Fraud\_Alert\_Request\_Form.pdf); TransUnion (https://www.transunion.com/fraud-alerts); or Experian (https://www.experian.com/fraud/center.html). 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. As of September 21, 2018, initial fraud alerts last for one year. Victims of identity theft can also get an extended fraud alert for seven years. The phone numbers for all three credit bureaus are at the bottom of this page.

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, 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 or a minor under the age of 16, 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. As of September 21, 2018, it is free to place, lift, or remove a security freeze for children under the age of 16. You may obtain a free 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 <u>equifax.com/per-sonal/credit-report-services/</u> 1-800-349-9960 Experian Security Freeze P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013 <u>experian.com/</u> <u>freeze/center.html</u> 1-888-397-3742 TransUnion Security Freeze P.O. Box 160 Woodlyn, PA 19094 <u>transunion.com/credit-freeze</u> 1-888-909-8872

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

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# TAKE ADVANTAGE OF YOUR IDENTITY MONITORING SERVICES

You have been provided with access to the following services from Kroll:

#### Single Bureau Credit Monitoring

You will receive alerts when there are changes to your credit data—for instance, when a new line of credit is applied for in your name. If you do not recognize the activity, you'll have the option to call a Kroll fraud specialist, who will be able to help you determine if it is an indicator of identity theft.

## **Fraud Consultation**

You have unlimited access to consultation with a Kroll fraud specialist. Support includes showing you the most effective ways to protect your identity, explaining your rights and protections under the law, assistance with fraud alerts, and interpreting how personal information is accessed and used, including investigating suspicious activity that could be tied to an identity theft event.

## **Identity Theft Restoration**

If you become a victim of identity theft, an experienced Kroll licensed investigator will work on your behalf to resolve related issues. You will have access to a dedicated investigator who understands your issues and can do most of the work for you. Your investigator will be able to dig deep to uncover the scope of the identity theft, and then work to resolve it.

Kroll's activation website is only compatible with the current version or one version earlier of Chrome, Firefox, Safari and Edge.

To receive credit services, you must be over the age of 18 and have established credit in the U.S., have a Social Security number in your name, and have a U.S. residential address associated with your credit file.