Gibson Area Hospital & Health Services Provides Notice of Data Security Event

Gibson Area Hospital & Health Services ("Gibson") is providing notice of a data security event that may involve information relating to certain individuals. Although Gibson is unaware of any misuse of individual information, it is providing notice to potentially affected individuals out of an abundance of caution. This notice provides information about the event, Gibson's response, and steps potentially impacted individuals may take, if they deem it appropriate.

On September 2, 2026, Gibson became aware of potential suspicious activity within certain computer systems. Upon learning of the activity, Gibson quickly activated established protocols and responded to the activity to ensure the security of its system and that patient care was not disrupted throughout its facilities. With assistance from external cybersecurity specialists, Gibson conducted a detailed forensic investigation into the activity to confirm its full nature, scope, and impact. The investigation confirmed that unauthorized actors accessed certain Gibson computer systems and copied files between September 2, 2026, and September 3, 2026. To determine whether the copied files contain sensitive information and to whom the information relates, Gibson is currently working with subject-matter specialists to complete a thorough review of the affected files. This review process is currently ongoing, and Gibson will supplement this notice upon completion of the review. Though the types of information vary by individual, the copied information could include medical diagnosis and treatment information, laboratory result information, medical record numbers, dates of birth, addresses, driver's license numbers, and health insurance information.

Gibson treats the responsibility to safeguard information in its possession as an utmost priority. Upon learning of this event, Gibson promptly took steps to secure its computer systems, ensure continuity of patient services and care, and conducted a comprehensive investigation with external specialists. As part of its commitment to the privacy and security of information in its care, Gibson continues to review and enhance existing policies and procedures relating to data protection and security on an ongoing basis, as appropriate. Gibson also continues to implement additional security measures to mitigate risk associated with this event and to help prevent similar future incidents.

Although Gibson is unaware of the misuse of any personal information impacted by this event, individuals are encouraged to remain vigilant against events of identity theft by reviewing account statements, explanation of benefits, and monitoring free credit reports for suspicious activity and to detect errors. Any suspicious activity should be reported to the appropriate insurance company, health care provider, or financial institution. Individuals can also find out more about how to safeguard their information in *Steps You Can Take to Protect Personal Information* below.

Individuals seeking additional information regarding this event can contact Gibson at IncidentResponse@gibsonhospital.org. Individuals may also write to Gibson directly at: 1120 N Melvin St., Gibson City, IL 60936.