

## CorrectCare Substitute Notice Web Notification

The following is intended to provide Notice of Data Breach details for those with interest in the specifics of this cybersecurity incident that CorrectCare Integrated Health (CorrectCare) has experienced.

### What Happened?

On July 6, 2022, CorrectCare, a third-party health administrator under contract with the Health Net Federal Services (HNFS), Business Associate of CCHCS/CDCR, discovered that two file directories on CorrectCare web server had been inadvertently exposed to the public internet. The file directories contained protected health information (PHI) of certain individuals who were incarcerated in a CDCR facility. Upon discovery of the data exposure, CorrectCare took immediate steps to remediate the exposure by securing the server in less than nine (9) hours. Subsequently, CorrectCare engaged a third-party cybersecurity firm to conduct a forensic investigation to analyze the nature and scope of the incident. Between September 1, 2022, and October 5, 2022, the investigation determined that patients who received medical care between January 1, 2012 and July 6, 2022 were among those whose data was potentially impacted. Further, investigation revealed that a misconfigured web server led to exposure of patient information contained in these file directories as early as January 22, 2022, and thereby subject to unauthorized access.

### What information was involved?

The patient information contained in the file directories included full name, date of birth, social security number, CDCR number, and limited health information, such as a diagnosis code and/or Current Procedure Terminology (CPT) code. **Please note that the patient information stored in these file directories did not include driver's license numbers, financial account information, or debit or credit card information.** While CorrectCare has no reason to believe that any patient's information has been misused, we are nonetheless notifying all affected patients out of an abundance of caution.

### What We Are Doing?

CorrectCare take the protection of your personal information seriously, and we have taken and will continue to take steps to prevent a similar occurrence. Upon discovery of this incident, CorrectCare, with assistance of leading cybersecurity experts, has implemented specific steps to further enhance the security of its systems and further protect the information of its clients and those under its care.

In addition, to address any concerns and mitigate any exposure or risk of harm following this incident, CorrectCare is offering a complimentary 12-month membership of Experian's IdentityWorks to any individuals whose information was involved in this incident.

### Why did CorrectCare have access to my information to begin with?

CorrectCare has a Business Associate Agreement (BAA) with the Health Net Federal Services and helps manage health care claims on behalf of the CCHCS/CDCR, a covered entity, and therefore had authorized access to this personal health information.

**Does this mean I'm a victim of identity theft?**

No. At this point in time, we do not have any evidence to believe that any of the information involved in this incident has been used to commit fraud. We wanted to inform those that may have been impacted so that they can take the appropriate steps to protect themselves. If your information was involved in this incident, the best way to protect yourself is to sign up for the complimentary 12-month membership to Experian's IdentityWorks. Information for how to sign up for the service can be found below.

**If I'm an incarcerated person, and my information was accessed, what should I do?**

If you are an incarcerated individual and your information was involved in this incident, keep a copy of this notice for your records in case of future problems with your medical or financial records. We encourage you to take advantage of the **complimentary** 12-month membership of Experian's IdentityWorks. To enroll in this service, please follow the instructions in the **"Steps You Can Take to Help Protect Your Personal Information"** below by February 28, 2023. This product provides you with superior identity detection and resolution of identity theft.

[Please note: your Correctional Counselor and other institutional staff do not have information on this issue. We strongly encourage you to use the resources below.]

**If I am no longer an incarcerated person and my information was accessed, what should I do?**

If you are no longer an incarcerated individual, but were previously incarcerated and received medical care at one of the CDCR prisons between January 2012 and July 2022, you should keep a copy of this notice for your records in case of future problems with your medical or financial records. We encourage you to enroll in the **complimentary** 12-month membership of Experian's IdentityWorks by following the instructions in the **"Steps You Can Take to Help Protect Your Personal Information"** below by February 28, 2023.

**What You Can Do**

Although CorrectCare is not aware of any instances of misuse of any patient information, we recommend all individuals impacted by this incident take advantage of the complimentary identity protection services being offered using the instructions below. We also encourage you to remain vigilant and review the enclosed Information about Identity Theft Protection outlining additional steps you can take to protect your information.

**For More Information**

We sincerely regret any inconvenience or concern that this Incident may cause you, and we remain dedicated to ensuring the privacy and security of all information in our control. If you have further questions or concerns, or would like an alternative to enrolling online, beginning November 1, 2022, please call toll-free Monday through Friday from 8 am – 10 pm Central, or Saturday and Sunday from 10 am – 7 pm Central (excluding major U.S. holidays). Please be prepared to provide your engagement

number B079693. Any questions regarding this matter also can be sent to: CorrectCare Privacy Office, PO Box 1178, Montebello, CA 90640.