

## **Notice of Security Incident**

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Zumpano Patricios, P.A. ("ZP Law") is giving notice about a recent security incident that may have involved personal information. ZP Law is a law firm with a practice area representing healthcare providers in disputes with health insurance companies over payment for medical services rendered to patients. ZP Law receives some personal information from healthcare providers, generally on spreadsheets, in connection with disputes with health insurance companies.

On or about May 6, 2025, ZP Law detected a cyber-attack intrusion upon parts of its information technology network. The date and time on which the cyber-attack intrusion began are not known at this time. ZP Law immediately investigated and aggressively responded to this incident. Passwords were changed, and the unauthorized access was blocked. Outside technical experts were also engaged to further investigate and evaluate the nature and scope of the incident. Health care providers were notified on May 14, 2025.

During the investigation, ZP Law learned that an unauthorized third party had the opportunity to access and potentially exfiltrate (remove) copies of certain files from ZP Law's IT environment. In response, ZP Law then conducted a document review process of the potentially affected files (which involved reviewing files individually on our system) in order to identify individuals who potentially needed to be notified of this incident.

The data potentially affected by this incident varies by individual and usually included information limited to first and last name, provider name, member ID number, health insurer information, dates of service amounts charged by provider(s) and the payment amounts received for the services. In some instances, social security numbers, clinical coding information, or medical records were potentially affected. Medical records in the possession of healthcare providers remain unaffected. This cyber-attack intrusion in no way affects any ability to receive care.

While ZP Law has not found proof of any misuse of personal information, in an abundance of caution, ZP Law is directly notifying individuals who were potentially affected by this incident via first-class U.S. mail or e-mail where available and authorized. ZP Law is also offering complimentary credit monitoring and identity theft protection through IDX a data breach and recover services expert. These services include: at least 12 months of credit and dark web monitoring, a \$1,000,000 insurance reimbursement policy, and fully managed identify theft recovery services. Persons potentially affected are encouraged to remain vigilant, carefully monitor financial account statements, healthcare statements, and credit reports, and report any discrepancies to law enforcement.

For more information about this incident, individuals can call toll-free 1-855-202-2485 between 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday (excluding major U.S. holidays).

We take information privacy and security issues very seriously and are continuing to take steps to enhance our security measures to help reduce the risk of something like this happening in the future.

### **STEPS YOU CAN TAKE:**

➤ **FREEZE YOUR CREDIT FILE.** You have a right to place a 'security freeze' on your credit report, which will prohibit a consumer reporting agency from releasing information in your credit report without your express authorization. A security freeze is designed to prevent credit, loans, and services from being approved in your name without your consent. However, using a freeze to take control over who gets access to the personal/financial information in your credit report may delay, interfere with, or prohibit the timely approval of any subsequent request or application made regarding a new loan, credit, mortgage, or any other account involving extension of credit. Security freeze generally does not apply to existing account relationships and when a copy of your report is requested by existing creditor or its agents or affiliates for certain types of account review, collection, fraud control or similar activities. There is no charge to place or lift a freeze. To place a security freeze on your credit report, contact each of the following credit bureaus and clearly explain in the call/letter that you are requesting a security freeze:

- *Equifax*, PO Box 740241, Atlanta, GA 30374, [www.equifax.com](http://www.equifax.com), 1-800-685-1111
- *Experian*, PO Box 2002, Allen, TX 75013, [www.experian.com](http://www.experian.com), 1-888-397-3742
- *TransUnion*, PO Box 2000, Chester, PA 19016, [www.transunion.com](http://www.transunion.com), 1-800-916-8800

To request a security freeze, provide your full name (middle initial, Jr., Sr., II, III, etc.), Social Security Number, date of birth; home addresses over the past 5 years; proof of current address such as a current utility bill or telephone bill; photocopy of government issued identification card (driver's license or ID card, military ID, etc.); and if you are a victim of identity theft, include a copy of either the police report, investigative report, or complaint to a law enforcement agency concerning identity

theft. If you request a security freeze via toll-free telephone or other secure electronic means, credit reporting agencies have 1 business day after receiving the request to place the freeze. In the case of a request made by mail, the agencies have 3 business days after receiving your request to place a security freeze on your credit report. Credit agencies must also send written confirmation within 5 business days and provide a unique personal identification number (PIN) or password, or both that can be used to authorize the removal or lifting of the security freeze. To lift the freeze to allow a specific entity or individual access to your credit report, you must call or send a written request to the credit reporting agencies by mail and include proper identification (name, address, and social security number) and PIN or password provided when you placed the security freeze as well as the identities of those entities or individuals you would like to receive your credit report or the specific period of time you want the credit report available. The credit reporting agencies have 3 business days after receiving a request to lift freeze for those identified entities or for the specified period of time. To remove the freeze, you must send a written request to the 3 credit bureaus by mail and include proper identification (name, address, & social security number) and PIN number or password provided when you placed the freeze. The credit bureaus have 3 business days after receiving the request to remove the freeze.

➤ **PLACE FRAUD ALERTS ON YOUR CREDIT FILE.** As an alternative to a security freeze, you have the right to place an initial or extended fraud alert on your credit file at no cost. An initial fraud alert is a 1-year alert that is placed on a consumer's credit file. Upon seeing a fraud alert display on a consumer's credit file, a business is required to take steps to verify the consumer's identity before extending new credit. If you are a victim of identity theft, you are entitled to an extended fraud alert, which is an alert lasting 7 years. Contact the 3 credit reporting agencies listed above to activate an alert.

➤ **REMAIN VIGILANT: REVIEW YOUR ACCOUNT STATEMENTS & REPORT FRAUD AND IDENTITY THEFT. CHANGE PASSWORDS AND SECURITY VERIFICATION QUESTIONS & ANSWERS.** It is always advisable to be vigilant for incidents of fraud or identity theft by reviewing your credit reports, debit/credit card, insurance policy, bank account and other account statements for unauthorized activity— especially over the next 24 months. Activate alerts on your bank accounts to notify you of suspicious activity and change passwords/security verifications as needed – particularly if same password is used over multiple online accounts. If your medical information was involved, it is also advisable to review the billing statements you receive from your healthcare providers. Immediately report suspicious activity, fraudulent charges, or suspected identity theft in your insurance statements, provider billing statements, credit report, credit card or bank accounts to your insurance company, bank/credit card vendor, healthcare provider and law enforcement, including FTC and/or your State Attorney General.

➤ **ORDER YOUR FREE ANNUAL CREDIT REPORTS.** Visit [www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com) or call 877-322-8228 to obtain 1 free copy of your credit report annually. Periodically review a copy of your credit report for discrepancies and identify accounts you did not open or inquiries you did not authorize. (For Colorado, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Puerto Rico, and Vermont residents: You may obtain additional copies of your credit report, free of charge. You must contact each of the 3 credit reporting agencies directly to obtain such additional reports. See contact information above)

➤ **FAIR CREDIT REPORTING ACT (FCRA):** Summary of Your Rights Under the Fair Credit Reporting Act: The federal Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA) promotes the accuracy, fairness, and privacy of information in the files of consumer reporting agencies. There are many types of consumer reporting agencies, including credit bureaus and specialty agencies (such as agencies that sell information about check writing histories, medical records, and rental history records). Your major rights under the FCRA are summarized below. For more information, including information about additional rights, go to [www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore](http://www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore) or write to: Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, 1700 G Street N.W., Washington, DC 20552. 1) You must be told if information in your file has been used against you. 2) You have the right to know what is in your file. 3) You have the right to ask for a credit score. 4) You have the right to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information. 5) Consumer reporting agencies must correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information. 6) Consumer reporting agencies may not report outdated negative information. 7) Access to your file is limited. 8) You must give your consent for reports to be provided to employers. 9) You may limit "prescreened" offers of credit and insurance you get based on information in your credit report. 10) You have a right to place a "security freeze" on your credit report, which will prohibit a consumer reporting agency from releasing information in your credit report without your express authorization. 11) You may seek damages from violators. 12) Identity theft victims and active duty military personnel have additional rights.

➤ **OBTAIN INFORMATION ABOUT PREVENTING IDENTITY THEFT, FRAUD ALERTS, SECURITY FREEZES AND FCRA FROM THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION.** Go to <http://www.experian.com/credit-advice/topic-fraud-and-identity-theft.html>. Federal Trade Commission also provides information at [www.ftc.gov/idtheft](http://www.ftc.gov/idtheft) FTC hotline is 877-438-4338; TTY: 1-866-653-4261 or write to FTC, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20580.