Ellis Medicine c/o Cyberscout PO Box 1286 Dearborn, MI 48120-9998

<<First Name>> <<Last Name>> <<Address 1>> <<Address 2>> <<City>> <<State>> <<Zipcode>>



<<Date>>

Dear <<First Name>> <<Last Name>>:

Ellis Medicine writes to notify you of an incident that may have involved some of your information as described below. We take the privacy of information in our care seriously and while we have no evidence that any information has been misused, we are providing you with information about the incident, our response, and steps you can take to protect your information.

**What Happened:** We recently identified suspicious activity related to an employee email account. Upon discovery, we took immediate action to address and investigate the incident, including performing a password reset, resetting MFA and engaging third-party specialists to assist in conducting a full investigation. The investigation ultimately determined that an employee email account was accessed by an unauthorized person for a limited period of time between January 17, 2025 through January 24, 2025, and March 27, 2025 through April 5, 2025. Therefore, we then began a thorough review of the data potentially impacted to identify the type of information potentially at risk and to whom that information related. On May 14, 2025, this review was completed and we worked to provide you with this notification as soon as possible.

<u>What Information Was Involved</u>: The information identified as potentially at risk included your first and last name, in combination with the following data elements: <</Data Elements>>.

<u>What We Are Doing</u>: We have taken the steps necessary to address the incident and are committed to fully protecting the information that you have entrusted to us. Upon learning of this incident, we immediately took the steps outlined above to secure Ellis Medicine accounts and fully investigate the matter. Additionally, we are providing you access to Single Bureau Credit Monitoring/Single Bureau Credit Report/Single Bureau Credit Score services at no charge. These services provide you with alerts for 12 months from the date of enrollment when changes occur to your credit file.

<u>What You Can Do</u>: We recommend that you remain vigilant against incidents of identity theft and fraud by reviewing your credit reports, account statements, and explanation of benefits forms for suspicious activity and to detect errors. If you discover any suspicious or unusual activity on your accounts, please promptly contact the financial institution or company. We have provided additional information below, which contains more information about steps you can take to help protect yourself against fraud and identity theft should you feel it appropriate to do so.

**For More Information:** Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this incident, please contact our dedicated assistance line at << Phone Number>>, Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm (excluding major U.S. holidays).

Sincerely,

Ellis Medicine

## STEPS YOU CAN TAKE TO HELP PROTECT YOUR INFORMATION

## **Enroll in Credit Monitoring and Identity Protection Services**

To enroll in Credit Monitoring services at no charge, please log on to <u>https://bfs.cyberscout.com/activate</u> and follow the instructions provided. When prompted please provide the following unique code to receive services: <<**Enrollment Code>>**. These services provide you with alerts for 12 months from the date of enrollment when changes occur to your credit file. This notification is sent to you the same day that the change or update takes place with the bureau. Finally, we are providing you with proactive fraud assistance to help with any questions that you might have or in event that you become a victim of fraud. These services will be provided by Cyberscout, a TransUnion company specializing in fraud assistance and remediation services

In order for you to receive the monitoring services described above, you must enroll within 90 days from the date of this letter. The enrollment requires an internet connection and e-mail account and may not be available to minors under the age of 18 years of age. Please note that when signing up for monitoring services, you may be asked to verify personal information for your own protection to confirm your identity.

## **Monitor Your Accounts**

We encourage you to remain vigilant against incidents of identity theft and fraud by reviewing your credit reports, account statements and explanation of benefits forms for suspicious activity and to detect errors. Under U.S. law, you are entitled to one free credit report annually from each of the three major credit reporting bureaus, TransUnion, Experian, and Equifax. To order your free credit report, visit <u>www.annualcreditreport.com</u> or call 1-877-322-8228. Once you receive your credit report, review it for discrepancies and identify any accounts you did not open or inquiries from creditors that you did not authorize. If you have questions or notice incorrect information, contact the credit reporting bureau.

You have the right to place an initial or extended fraud alert on a credit file at no cost. An initial fraud alert is a one-year alert that is placed on a consumer's credit file. Upon seeing a fraud alert, 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 lasting seven years. Should you wish to place a fraud alert, please contact any of the three credit reporting bureaus listed below.

As an alternative to a fraud alert, you have the right to place a credit freeze on a credit report, which will prohibit a credit bureau from releasing information in the credit report without your express authorization. The credit freeze is designed to prevent credit, loans, and services from being approved in your name without your consent. However, you should be aware that using a credit freeze may delay, interfere with, or prohibit the timely approval of any subsequent request or application you make regarding a new loan, credit, mortgage, or any other account involving the extension of credit. Pursuant to federal law, you cannot be charged to place or lift a credit freeze on your credit report. To request a credit freeze, you will need to provide the following information:

- 1. Full name (including middle initial as well as Jr., Sr., III, etc.);
- 2. Social Security number;
- 3. Date of birth;
- 4. Address for the prior two to five years;
- 5. Proof of current address, such as a current utility or telephone bill;
- 6. A legible photocopy of a government-issued identification card (e.g., state driver's license or identification card); and
- 7. A copy of either the police report, investigative report, or complaint to a law enforcement agency concerning identity theft, if you are a victim of identity theft.

Should you wish to place a fraud alert or credit freeze, please contact the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below:

TransUnion	Experian	Equifax
1-800-680-7289	1-888-397-3742	1-888-298-0045
www.transunion.com	www.experian.com	www.equifax.com
TransUnion Fraud Alert	Experian Fraud Alert	Equifax Fraud Alert
P.O. Box 2000	P.O. Box 9554	P.O. Box 105069
Chester, PA 19016-2000	Allen, TX 75013	Atlanta, GA 30348-5069
TransUnion Credit Freeze	Experian Credit Freeze	Equifax Credit Freeze
P.O. Box 160	P.O. Box 9554	P.O. Box 105788
Woodlyn, PA 19094	Allen, TX 75013	Atlanta, GA 30348-5788

## **Additional Information**

You can further educate yourself regarding identity theft, fraud alerts, credit freezes, and the steps you can take to protect your personal information by contacting the credit reporting bureaus, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), or your state Attorney General. The FTC also encourages those who discover that their information has been misused to file a complaint with them. The FTC may be reached at 600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. 20580; www.identitytheft.gov; 1-877-ID-THEFT (1-877-438-4338); and TTY: 1-866-653-4261.

You have the right to file a police report if you ever experience identity theft or fraud. Please note that in order to file a report with law enforcement for identity theft, you will likely need to provide some proof that you have been a victim. Instances of known or suspected identity theft should also be reported to law enforcement, your state Attorney General, and the FTC.

*For Maryland residents*, the Maryland Attorney General may be contacted at 200 St. Paul Place, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor, Baltimore, MD 21202; 1-888-743-0023; and <u>https://www.marylandattorneygeneral.gov</u>. Ellis Medicine may also be contacted at 1101 Nott Street, Schenectady, NY 12308.

*For New Mexico residents*, you have rights pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act, such as the right to be told if information in your credit file has been used against you, the right to know what is in your credit file, the right to ask for your credit score, and the right to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information. Further, pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act: (i) the consumer reporting agencies must correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information; (ii) the consumer reporting agencies may not report outdated negative information; (iii) access to your file is limited; (iv) you must give consent for credit reports to be provided to employers; (v) you may limit "prescreened" offers of credit and insurance you get based on information in your credit Reporting Act not summarized here. Identity theft victims and active-duty military personnel have specific additional rights pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act. We encourage you to review your rights pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act by visiting <u>https://files.consumerfinance.gov/f/201504\_cfpb\_summary\_your-rights-under-fcra.pdf</u>, or by writing Consumer Response Center, Room 130-A, FTC, 600 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20580.

*For New York residents*, the New York Attorney General may be contacted at Office of the Attorney General, The Capitol, Albany, NY 12224-0341; 1-800-771-7755; or <u>https://ag.ny.gov</u>.

For North Carolina residents, the North Carolina Attorney General may be contacted at 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-9001; 1-877-566-7226 or 1-919-716-6000; and <u>www.ncdoj.gov</u>.

For Rhode Island residents, the Rhode Island Attorney General may be contacted at 150 South Main Street, Providence, RI 02903; 1-401-274-4400; and <u>www.riag.ri.gov</u>. Under Rhode Island law, you have the right to obtain any police report filed in regard to this incident. There are [#] Rhode Island residents impacted by this incident.

*For Washington, D.C. residents*, the District of Columbia Attorney General may be contacted at 400 6<sup>th</sup> Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20001; 202-442-9828, and <u>https://oag.dc.gov/consumer-protection</u>. Ellis Medicine may also be contacted at 1101 Nott Street, Schenectady, NY 12308.