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# VIA ONLINE SUBMISSION

Attorney General Aaron Frey Office of the Attorney General Consumer Protection Division Security Breach Notification 111 Sewall Street, 6th Floor Augusta, ME 04330

## Re: Notification of Data Security Incident

Dear Attorney General Frey:

We represent the Emergency Nurses Association ("ENA") with respect to a recent data security incident described in greater detail below.

## 1. Nature of the security incident.

On or about May 17, 2021, ENA detected unusual activity relating to an ENA employee email account. Upon discovering this activity, ENA took steps to secure its email system and launched an investigation, with the assistance of a leading digital forensics firm, to determine what happened and whether personal information had been accessed or acquired without authorization. Through this investigation, ENA learned that certain ENA employee email accounts had been accessed without authorization between approximately March 25 and May 17, 2021. ENA then worked diligently to identify up-to-date address information required to notify potentially-impacted individuals. On October 13, 2021, ENA confirmed that the personal information of one (1) Maine resident was contained in an impacted mailbox and therefore may have been accessed or acquired without authorization. Specifically, the personal information involved included one (1) resident's name and Social Security number.

### 2. Number of Maine resident(s) affected.

ENA notified one (1) resident of Maine of this data security incident via first class U.S. mail on October 26, 2021. A sample copy of the notification letter sent to the potentially-affected individual is included with this correspondence.

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## 3. Steps taken relating to the incident.

In response to the incident, ENA retained cybersecurity experts and launched a forensics investigation to determine the source and scope of the incident. ENA also reported this matter to law enforcement and will provide whatever assistance is necessary to hold the perpetrator(s) of this incident accountable. Additionally, ENA has taken steps to enhance email security to help prevent a similar incident from occurring in the future. Finally, ENA is notifying potentially-affected individuals and providing them with steps they can take to protect their personal information, including by enrolling in the complimentary identity monitoring services being offered.

# 4. Contact information.

ENA remains dedicated to protecting the personal information in its control. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (215) 253-4255 or by e-mail at Kevin.Yoegel@lewisbrisbois.com.

Respectfully,

/s/ Kevin W. Yoegel

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Encl.: Consumer Notification Letter

cc: Shaun G. Goodfriend, Associate, Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith LLP



Emergency Nurses Association 10300 SW Greenburg Rd. Suite 570 Portland, OR 97223 To Enroll, Please Call: 1-800-939-4170 Or Visit: <u>https://app.idx.us/account-</u> <u>creation/protect</u> Enrollment Code: <<XXXXXXXX>>

<<First Name>> <<Last Name>> <<Address1>> <<Address2>> <<City>>, <<State>> <<Zip>>

October 26, 2021

## **Re: Notice of Data Security Incident**

Dear <<First Name>> <<Last Name>>,

The Emergency Nurses Association recently experienced a data security incident that might have affected your personal information. As explained below, ENA learned an unauthorized individual gained access to certain ENA employee email accounts that contained some of your personal information. ENA apologizes for any issues this incident might have caused you. This message is to formally notify you of the incident; to offer you complimentary identity monitoring and protection services; and to inform you about steps that can be taken to help protect your personal information.

**What Happened?** On or about May 17, 2021, ENA detected unusual activity relating to an ENA employee email account. Upon discovering this activity, ENA took steps to secure its email system and launched an investigation, with the assistance of a leading digital forensics firm, to determine what happened and whether personal information had been accessed or acquired without authorization. Through this investigation, ENA learned that certain ENA employee email accounts had been accessed without authorization between approximately March 25 and May 17, 2021. ENA then conducted a comprehensive review of the contents of those accounts and, on or around July 28, 2021, learned the impacted ENA employee email accounts contained some of your personal information. Subsequently, ENA worked diligently to identify up-to-date address information to notify you, which included reviewing the information involved, locating address information and validating best current addresses before mailing. Please note that this unauthorized access was limited to information transmitted via email and did not affect any other information systems.

What Information Was Involved? The information involved may have included your <<variable text>>.

What ENA Is Doing. As soon as ENA discovered this incident, the measures referenced above and other steps were immediately taken to mitigate the impact and help prevent a similar incident from occurring in the future. In addition, ENA reported this matter to law enforcement and will fully cooperate with any investigation. Finally, out of an abundance of caution to you, ENA is offering you free identity protection services through IDX, a data security and recovery services expert. This complimentary one-year enrollment in IDX identity protection includes: credit and CyberScan monitoring, a \$1 million insurance reimbursement policy, and fully managed identity theft recovery services. Additional information about these services is included with this letter.

What You Can Do. Please follow the recommendations included with this letter to help protect your personal information. You can also enroll in the IDX identity protection services being provided to you, at no cost, through IDX. To enroll, please visit the IDX website at <u>https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect</u> and provide your enrollment code located at the top of this page. Please note that the deadline to enroll is January 14, 2022. Additional information describing the IDX identity protection services, along with other recommendations to protect your personal information, is included with this letter.

**For More Information**. If you have any questions, please call 1-800-939-4170 Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Eastern time, or visit the IDX website at <u>https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect</u> for assistance. Please have your enrollment code ready.

ENA takes very seriously the responsibility it has to protect the personal information of our members, staff and anyone else who interacts with the association. Please accept ENA's sincere apologies for any worry or inconvenience this incident might cause you.

Sincerely,

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Bridget Walsh Chief Operating Officer Emergency Nurses Association

#### Steps You Can Take to Further Protect Your Information

**Review Your Account Statements and Notify Law Enforcement of Suspicious Activity:** As a precautionary measure, we recommend that you remain vigilant by reviewing your account statements and credit reports closely. If you detect any suspicious activity on an account, you should promptly notify the financial institution or company with which the account is maintained. You also should promptly report any fraudulent activity or any suspected incidence of identity theft to proper law enforcement authorities, your state attorney general, and/or the Federal Trade Commission (FTC).

**Copy of Credit Report:** You may obtain a free copy of your credit report from each of the three major credit reporting agencies once every 12 months by visiting <u>http://www.annualcreditreport.com/</u>, calling toll-free 877-322-8228, or by completing an Annual Credit Report Request Form and mailing it to Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA 30348. You also can contact one of the following three national credit reporting agencies:

TransUnion	Experian	Equifax	Free Annual Report
P.O. Box 1000	P.O. Box 2002	P.O. Box 740241	P.O. Box 105281
Chester, PA 19016	Allen, TX 75013	Atlanta, GA 30374	Atlanta, GA 30348
1-800-916-8800	1-888-397-3742	1-866-349-5191	1-877-322-8228
www.transunion.com	www.experian.com	www.equifax.com	annualcreditreport.com

**Fraud Alert:** You may want to consider placing a fraud alert on your credit report. An initial fraud alert is free and will stay on your credit file for at least 90 days. The alert informs creditors of possible fraudulent activity within your report and requests that the creditor contact you prior to establishing any accounts in your name. To place a fraud alert on your credit report, contact any of the three credit reporting agencies identified above. Additional information is available at http://www.annualcreditreport.com.

**Security Freeze:** Under U.S. law, you have the right to put a security freeze on your credit file for up to one year at no cost. This will prevent new credit from being opened in your name without the use of a PIN number that is issued to you when you initiate the freeze. A security freeze is designed to prevent potential creditors from accessing your credit report without your consent. As a result, using a security freeze may interfere with or delay your ability to obtain credit. You must separately place a security freeze on your credit file with each credit reporting agency. In order to place a security freeze, you may be required to provide the consumer reporting agency with information that identifies you including your full name, Social Security number, date of birth, current and previous addresses, a copy of your state-issued identification card, and a recent utility bill, bank statement or insurance statement.

Additional Free Resources: You can obtain information from the consumer reporting agencies, the FTC, or from your respective state Attorney General about fraud alerts, security freezes, and steps you can take toward preventing identity theft. You may report suspected identity theft to local law enforcement, including to the FTC or to the Attorney General in your state.

Federal Trade Commission 600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW Washington, DC 20580 <u>consumer.ftc.gov</u> , and <u>www.ftc.gov/idtheft</u> 1-877-438-4338	Maryland Attorney General 200 St. Paul Place Baltimore, MD 21202 <u>oag.state.md.us</u> 1-888-743-0023	New York Attorney General Bureau of Internet and Technology Resources 28 Liberty Street New York, NY 10005 1-212-416-8433
North Carolina Attorney General	Rhode Island Attorney General	Washington D.C. Attorney General
9001 Mail Service Center	150 South Main Street	441 4th Street, NW
Raleigh, NC 27699	Providence, RI 02903	Washington, DC 20001
<u>ncdoj.gov</u>	<u>http://www.riag.ri.gov</u>	<u>oag.dc.gov</u>
1-877-566-7226	1-401-274-4400	1-202-727-3400

You also have certain rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA): These rights include to know what is in your file; to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information; to have consumer reporting agencies correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information; as well as other rights. For more information about the FCRA, and your rights pursuant to the FCRA, please visit <u>files.consumerfinance.gov/f/201504\_cfpb\_summary\_your-rights-under-fcra.pdf</u>



### **One-Year Enrollment in IDX Identity Protection**

**Website and Enrollment.** Please visit <u>https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect</u> and follow the instructions for enrollment using your Enrollment Code included with this letter.

Activate the credit monitoring provided as part of your IDX membership. The monitoring included in the membership must be activated to be effective. Note: You must have established credit and access to a computer and the internet to use this service. If you need assistance, IDX will be able to assist you.

**Telephone.** Contact IDX at 1-800-939-4170 to speak with knowledgeable representatives about the appropriate steps to take to protect your credit identity.

### This IDX enrollment will include one-year enrollment into:

**SINGLE BUREAU CREDIT MONITORING** - Monitoring of credit bureau for changes to the member's credit file such as new credit inquires, new accounts opened, delinquent payments, improvements in the member's credit report, bankruptcies, court judgments and tax liens, new addresses, new employers, and other activities that affect the member's credit record.

**CYBERSCAN<sup>TM</sup>** - Dark Web monitoring of underground websites, chat rooms, and malware, 24/7, to identify trading or selling of personal information like SSNs, bank accounts, email addresses, medical ID numbers, driver's license numbers, passport numbers, credit and debit cards, phone numbers, and other unique identifiers.

**IDENTITY THEFT INSURANCE** - Identity theft insurance will reimburse members for expenses associated with restoring their identity should they become a victim of identity theft. If a member's identity is compromised, the policy provides coverage for up to \$1,000,000, with no deductible, from an A.M. Best "A-rated" carrier. Coverage is subject to the terms, limits, and/or exclusions of the policy.

**FULLY-MANAGED IDENTITY RECOVERY** - IDX fully-managed recovery service provides restoration for identity theft issues such as (but not limited to): account creation, criminal identity theft, medical identity theft, account takeover, rental application, tax fraud, benefits fraud, and utility creation. This service includes a complete triage process for affected individuals who report suspicious activity, a personally assigned IDX Specialist to fully manage restoration of each case, and expert guidance for those with questions about identity theft and protective measures.