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December 20, 2023

Via Email: SecurityBreach@atg.wa.gov and via Online Submission

Attorney General Bob Ferguson
Washington State Office of the Attorney General
1125 Washington Street SE
PO Box 40100
Olympia, WA 98504

Re: ESO Solutions, Inc. - Data Security Incident

Dear Attorney General Ferguson:

The undersigned represents ESO Solutions, Inc. ("ESO), a provider of software services which help hospitals and healthcare systems improve operations, quality and patient outcomes. ESO was recently the victim of a sophisticated ransomware incident in which an unauthorized third party accessed and encrypted some of ESO's computer systems. On behalf of ESO and the ESO customers listed below, we write to provide you notice of the incident and inform you that Washington residents were impacted. This letter also explains the steps that have been taken to address the incident.

What Happened? On September 28, 2023, ESO detected and stopped a sophisticated ransomware incident, in which an unauthorized third party accessed and encrypted some of ESO's computer systems. ESO immediately took the affected systems offline, secured its network environment, and engaged third-party forensic specialists to assist with investigating the extent of any unauthorized activity. ESO was ultimately able to confirm the security of its systems, safely restore its systems and operations via viable backups.

What Information was Impacted? On October 23, 2023, ESO determined that personal and patient health information was located on one of its impacted systems. This incident impacted data belonging to patients associated with ESO's customers, including certain personal information and medical treatment information. This information included names, dates of birth, injury type, injury date, treatment date, treatment type and, in some cases, social security numbers.

With respect to customers that have authorized ESO to make regulatory disclosures on their behalf, the incident impacted the personal, medical or healthcare information of approximately 810 residents of this jurisdiction. The incident did not impact the Social Security Numbers of

623 of those residents notified in this jurisdiction.

Appendix A lists the impacted ESO customers that have requested that we provide notice to this office.

Steps ESO has taken. Immediately upon discovery of the incident, ESO secured its networks by taking the affected systems offline, implemented measures to confirm the security of its systems, engaged with a third-party forensic firm to assist in investigating the extent of the unauthorized activity and safely restored its systems and operations via viable backups. ESO also promptly notified the Federal Bureau of Investigation ("FBI") and has worked cooperatively with the FBI's investigation into this cyber-attack.

ESO has been in frequent communications with its impacted customers to support their response efforts. ESO first confirmed that medical and healthcare information was impacted beginning on or around October 23, 2023, and on an ongoing basis thereafter as its investigation progressed. ESO notified potentially impacted clients on a rolling basis beginning on December 12, 2023. See Exhibit A, Templates of Notification Letters.

ESO offered to support its impacted healthcare customers by offering to make any notifications the customers determined were required or appropriate. At the request and under the authorization of certain impacted clients, ESO notified prominent media outlets pursuant to 45 CFR § 164.406 on or around December 12, 2023. In addition, ESO notified the following entities beginning on or around December 18, 2023: the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Office for Civil Rights (OCR); certain state Attorneys General; and the consumer reporting agencies.

At the request and under the authorization of certain impacted clients, ESO will begin notifying impacted individuals on or around December 12, 2023. Impacted individuals will receive written notice pursuant to the enclosed notification letter template. Certain individuals will also receive substitute notice through the ESO's website at https://www.eso.com/notice-of-cybersecurity-incident/.

For more information: Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions regarding this letter. You may also contact our impacted customers directly at the contacts listed in Appendix A.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Maryam Meseha

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on behalf of FisherBroyles, LLP

Appendix A: Impacted ESO Customers Giving Notice to Washington

Legal Entity and/or Healthcare System Name	Facility Name	Total Impacted	Residents with
· ·	·	Washington Residents	Impacted SSNs
Baptist Memorial Health Care System	Baptist Memorial Hospital - Golden Triangle	2	1
	Baptist Memorial Hospital - Attala	1	1
Bartlett Regional Hospital	Bartlett Regional Hospital	36	0
Boulder City Hospital	Boulder City Hospital	2	1
Baylor Scott & White Emergency Hospital - Aubrey (FKA Emerus Hospital East Denton County	Dignity Health-St Rose Dominican San Martin Campus	1	1
,	Dignity Health - St Rose Dominican Rose de Lima Campus	4	0
Community Health Systems	Eastern New Mexico Medical Center	2	1
	Carlsbad Medical Center	2	2
	Merit Health River Region	2	2
	Mat-Su Regional Medical Center	9	0
El Paso County Hospital District	University Medical Center of El Paso	7	0
ESO EMS Agency	UNC Hospitals Hillsborough Campus	2	0
	Mesa View Regional Hospital	3	3
	GW MFA George Washington Medical Facility	1	0
	ESO EMS Agency	410	131
Forrest Health	Forrest General Hospital	6	3
	Highland Community Hospital	2	1
Gila Regional Medical Center	Gila Regional Medical Center	5	0
HCA Healthcare	Alaska Regional Hospital	117	1
	Southern Hills Hospital and Medical Center	1	0
LifePoint Health	Northeastern Nevada Regional Hospital	2	1
Memorial Hospital at Gulfport Health System	Memorial Hospital at Gulfport	4	3
Nor Lea General Hospital	Nor Lea General Hospital	1	1
Providence St Joseph Health (AKA Providence)	Providence Kodiak Island Medical Center	22	0
,	Providence Alaska Medical Center	95	0
	Providence Seward Medical and Care Center	4	0
	Providence Valdez Medical Center	7	0
Regional One Health	Regional One Health	5	5
South Central Regional Medical Center	South Central Regional Medical Center	1	1
South Peninsula Hospital	South Peninsula Hospital	13	0
Tippah County Hospital	Tippah County Hospital	1	0

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Universal Health Services (UHS)	Manatee Memorial Hospital	2	2
	Spring Valley Hospital Medical Center	5	0
	Summerlin Hospital Medical Center	1	1
	Valley Hospital Medical Center	3	1
	Northern Nevada Medical Center	1	0
	Desert View Hospital	8	8
	Centennial Hills Hospital Medical Center	2	2
University of Florida Health (FKA Shands	University of Florida Health in Jacksonville	10	7
Healthcare)	Shands Jacksonville Medical Center Inc	1	0
	University of Florida Health (FKA Shands Healthcare)	7	7
Total Number of Affected Residents of Washington		810	187

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Baptist Memorial Health Care System	Laura Cummins
	Email: laura.cummins@bmhcc.org
	Work phone: 901-227-4058
Bartlett Regional Hospital	Nathan Overson
	E-mail: noverson@bartletthospital.org
	Work phone: (907) 796-8578
Boulder City Hospital	Leigh Bohn
	E-mail: <u>lbohn@bchnv.org</u>
	Work phone: (702) 293-4111
Baylor Scott & White Emergency Hospital - Aubrey	Laura Tautz
(FKA Emerus Hospital East Denton County	Email: Linda.Tautz@emerus.com
	Work phone: 303-549-5099
Community Health Systems	Mary Kate Rigsbee
	Email: mary_rigsbee@chs.net
	Work phone: 601-339-9963
El Paso County Hospital District	Catherine Gibson
	Email: cgibson@umcelpaso.org
	Work phone: 915-319-1972
ESO EMS Agency	c/o FisherBroyles, LLP
	Maryam M. Meseha, Esq.
	Email: maryam.meseha@fisherbroyles.com
	Work phone: 609-250-2405
Forrest Health	Sandra Smith
	E-mail: sjsmith@forrestgeneral.com
	Work phone: (601) 288-4481
Gila Regional Medical Center	Richard Piatt
	E-mail: rpiatt@grmc.org
	Work phone: (575) 538-4108
HCA Healthcare	Alaska Regional Hospital
	Charlyn Espejo-Monyer
	Email: Charlyn.Espejo@HCAhealthcare.com
	Phone: 907-264-1256

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	Alaska Regional Hospital
	Charlyn Espejo-Monyer
	Email: Charlyn.Espejo@HCAhealthcare.com
	Phone: 907-264-1256
	Southern Hills Hospital and Medical Center
	Erika Hayes
	Email: Erika.Hayes@Parallon.com
	Work phone: 702-916-8401
LifePoint Health	John Beauchamp
	Email: john.beauchamp@lifepointhealth.net
	Work phone: Unknown
Memorial Hospital at Gulfport Health System	Wayne Cullinan
Memoriai Hospiaii at Gunport Heatai System	E-mail: gcullinan@mhg.com
	Work phone: (228) 865-3178
Nor Lea General Hospital	Jessica Lizardo
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	E-mail: jessica.lizardo@nlgh.org
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Providence St Joseph Health (AKA Providence)	Mary Jimenez
	Email: mary.jimenez@providence.org
	Work phone: Unknown
Regional One Health	Cheryl Rasbach
	E-mail: <u>crasbach@regionalonehealth.org</u>
	Work phone: (901) 545-6373
South Central Regional Medical Center	Ralph Heath
	Email: rheath@scrmc.com
	Work phone: Unknown
South Peninsula Hospital	Jim Bartilson
Î	E-mail: JMB@sphosp.org
	Work phone: (907) 235-0355
Tippah County Hospital	Tabitha Clifton
11 -7	E-mail: tabithaj@tc-hs.org
	Work phone: (662) 837-9221
Universal Health Services (UHS)	Kyra Knapp
Similar Services (Sins)	Email: kyra.knapp@uhsinc.com
	Work phone: 970-397-5878
University of Florida Health (FKA Shands Healthcare)	Destiny Evans
Oniversity of Florida Health (FRA Shands Healthcare)	Email: deva0003@shands.ufl.edu
	Work phone: 352-627-9050

EXHIBIT A



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Dear <<first name>> <<middle name>> <<last name>> <<suffix>>:

ESO Solutions, Inc. ("ESO") provides software services that help hospitals and healthcare systems improve operations, quality, and patient outcomes. For this reason, we are likely to have your information from when a healthcare organization provided injury or emergency care to you in the past. We are writing to inform you of an incident that may have exposed your protected health information. We take the security of your information seriously and want to provide you with information you can use to help protect yourself.

What Happened

On September 28, 2023, we detected and stopped a sophisticated ransomware incident, in which an unauthorized third party accessed and encrypted some of ESO's computer systems. We immediately took the affected systems offline, secured our network environment, and engaged third-party forensic specialists to assist us with investigating the extent of any unauthorized activity.

Our investigation determined that the unauthorized third party may have acquired your personal data during this incident. Please know that we have taken all reasonable steps to prevent your data from being further published or distributed, have notified and are working with federal law enforcement to investigate.

On October 23, 2023, we determined that your personal and patient information was located on one of the impacted systems. While we have found no evidence that your information has been misused, we are notifying you of this incident and offering you the resources provided in this letter, in an abundance of caution and so that you can take precautionary steps to help protect yourself, should you wish to do so. ESO recommends that you proceed with caution, and take advantage of the resources provided in this letter.

What Information Was Involved

At present there is no evidence that any of your personal information has been misused; however, the impacted data may have contained your personal information, including your name, social security number, phone number, address, and medical treatment information. Additionally, it is possible that the following protected health information fields could have been accessed: patient account and/or medical record number, injury and diagnosis information, procedure type (if applicable), insurance and payer information, and other items found in your registry file. At this time, we do not have evidence that your information has been misused.

What We Are Doing

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We value the safety of your personal information and want to make sure you have the information you need so that you can take steps to further protect yourself, should you feel it appropriate to do so. We encourage you to remain vigilant and to regularly review and monitor relevant account statements and credit reports and report suspected incidents of identity

theft to local law enforcement, your state's Attorney General, or the Federal Trade Commission (the "FTC"). We have included more information on these steps below.

In addition, we are providing you with access to 12 months of identity monitoring through Kroll at no charge to you.

What You Can Do

To help relieve concerns following this incident, we have secured the services of Kroll to provide identity monitoring at no cost to you for 12 months. Kroll is a global leader in risk mitigation and response, and their team has extensive experience helping people who have sustained an unintentional exposure of confidential data. Your identity monitoring services include Credit Monitoring, Fraud Consultation, and Identity Theft Restoration

Visit https://enroll.krollmonitoring.com to activate and take advantage of your identity monitoring services.

You have until <
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Membership Number: << Membership Number s n>>

For more information about Kroll and your Identity Monitoring services, you can visit info.krollmonitoring.com.

Additional Steps

In addition to activating the complimentary identity monitoring services being offered, we encourage you to review the enclosed *Additional Important Information* for additional guidance on how to help protect against identify theft and fraud.

For More Information

On behalf of ESO, please accept our sincere apology for this incident and any inconvenience it may cause you. We value the security of the protected health information and personal information that we maintain, and understand the frustration, concern, and inconvenience that this incident may have caused. I can assure you that we continue to build on our already substantial investments in cybersecurity to prevent an incident like this from reoccurring and protect you and your information, now and in the future.

Representatives are available to assist you with questions regarding this incident, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday, excluding major U.S. holidays. Please call the help line at (866) 347-8525 with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

For residents of *Hawaii*, *Michigan*, *Missouri*, *North Carolina*, *Vermont*, *Virginia*, and *Wyoming*: It is recommended by state law that you remain vigilant for incidents of fraud and identity theft by reviewing credit card account statements and monitoring your credit report for unauthorized activity.

For residents of *Illinois*, *Iowa*, *Maryland*, *Missouri*, *North Carolina*, *Oregon*, and *West Virginia*: It is required by state laws to inform you that you may obtain a copy of your credit report, free of charge, whether or not you suspect any unauthorized activity on your account. You may obtain a free copy of your credit report from each of the three nationwide credit reporting agencies. To order your free credit report, please visit www.annualcreditreport.com, or call toll-free at 1-877-322-8228. You can also order your annual free credit report by mailing a completed Annual Credit Report Request Form (available at https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0155-free-credit-reports) to: Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA, 30348-5281.

<u>For residents of *Vermont*</u>: If you do not have internet access but would like to learn more about how to place a security freeze on your credit report, contact the Vermont Attorney General's Office at 802-656-3183 (800-649-2424 toll free in Vermont only).

For residents of *New Mexico*: Individuals interacting with credit reporting agencies have rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act. We encourage you to review your rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act by visiting https://files.consumerfinance.gov/f/documents/bcfp_consumer-rights-summary_2018-09.pdf, or by requesting information in writing from the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, 1700 G Street N.W., Washington, DC 20552.

<u>For residents of Washington, D.C.</u>: You can obtain information about steps to take to avoid identity theft from the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia at: 441 4th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001; 202-727-3400; www.oag.dc.gov.

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P.O. Box 105788 Atlanta, GA 30348 <u>equifax.com/personal/credit-report-services/</u> 1-800-349-9960 **Experian Security Freeze**

P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013 experian.com/ freeze/center.html 1-888-397-3742 **TransUnion Security Freeze**

P.O. Box 160 Woodlyn, PA 19094 transunion.com/credit-freeze 1-888-909-8872

More information can also be obtained by contacting the Federal Trade Commission listed above.



TAKE ADVANTAGE OF YOUR IDENTITY MONITORING SERVICES

You have been provided with access to the following services from Kroll:

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Fraud Consultation

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What Information Was Involved

Your social security number, claims information, and financial information <u>were not</u> impacted. It is possible that the following personal health information could have been accessed by an unauthorized third party: patient account and/or medical record number, injury and diagnosis information, procedure type (if applicable), insurance and payer information, and other items found in your registry file. At this time, we do not have evidence that your information has been misused.

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We value the safety of your information and want to make sure you have the information you need so that you can take steps to further protect yourself, should you feel it appropriate to do so. We encourage you to remain vigilant and to regularly review and monitor relevant account statements and credit reports and report suspected incidents of identity theft to local law enforcement, your state's Attorney General, or the Federal Trade Commission (the "FTC"). We have included more information on these steps below.

While we do not believe any of your financial information was disclosed as a part of this event, we encourage you to review the enclosed *Additional Important Information* for information on how to protect against identify theft and fraud.

For More Information

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On October 23, 2023, we determined that your personal and patient information was located on one of the impacted systems. While we have found no evidence that your information has been misused, we are notifying you of this incident and offering you the resources provided in this letter, in an abundance of caution and so that you can take precautionary steps to help protect yourself, should you wish to do so. ESO recommends that you proceed with caution, and take advantage of the resources provided in this letter.

What Information Was Involved

Your child's social security number, claims information, and financial information associated with payment <u>were not</u> impacted. It is possible that the following personal health information could have been accessed by an unauthorized third party: patient account and/or medical record number, injury and diagnosis information, procedure type (if applicable), insurance and payer information, and other items found in your registry file. At this time, we do not have evidence that your child's information has been misused or shared.

What We Are Doing

Data security is one of our highest priorities. Upon discovery of the incident, we immediately secured our networks, implemented measures to confirm the security of our systems, safely restored our systems and operations via viable backups, initiated an investigation of the incident with the assistance of forensic experts, and notified the FBI (Federal Bureau of Investigation).

What You Can Do

We value the safety of your child's information and want to make sure you have the information you need so that you can take steps to further protect your child's information, should you feel it appropriate to do so. We encourage you to remain vigilant and to regularly review and monitor your child's relevant accounts and report suspected incidents of identity theft to local law enforcement, your state's Attorney General, or the Federal Trade Commission (the "FTC"). We have included more information on these steps below.

While we do not believe any of your financial information related to your child's patient information was disclosed as a part of this event, we encourage you to review the enclosed *Additional Important Information* for information on how to protect against identify theft and fraud.

For More Information

On behalf of ESO, please accept our sincere apology for this incident and any inconvenience it may cause you. We value the security of the protected health information that we maintain, and understand the frustration, concern, and inconvenience that this incident may have caused. I can assure you that we continue to build on our already substantial investments in cybersecurity to prevent an incident like this from reoccurring and protect you and your information, now and in the future.

Representatives are available to assist you with questions regarding this incident, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday, excluding major U.S. holidays. Please call the help line at (866) 347-8525 with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

For residents of *Hawaii*, *Michigan*, *Missouri*, *North Carolina*, *Vermont*, *Virginia*, and *Wyoming*: It is recommended by state law that you remain vigilant for incidents of fraud and identity theft by reviewing credit card account statements and monitoring your credit report for unauthorized activity.

For residents of *Illinois*, *Iowa*, *Maryland*, *Missouri*, *North Carolina*, *Oregon*, and *West Virginia*: It is required by state laws to inform you that you may obtain a copy of your credit report, free of charge, whether or not you suspect any unauthorized activity on your account. You may obtain a free copy of your credit report from each of the three nationwide credit reporting agencies. To order your free credit report, please visit www.annualcreditreport.com, or call toll-free at 1-877-322-8228. You can also order your annual free credit report by mailing a completed Annual Credit Report Request Form (available at https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0155-free-credit-reports) to: Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA, 30348-5281.

<u>For residents of Vermont</u>: If you do not have internet access but would like to learn more about how to place a security freeze on your credit report, contact the Vermont Attorney General's Office at 802-656-3183 (800-649-2424 toll free in Vermont only).

For residents of *New Mexico*: Individuals interacting with credit reporting agencies have rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act. We encourage you to review your rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act by visiting https://files.consumerfinance.gov/f/documents/bcfp_consumer-rights-summary_2018-09.pdf, or by requesting information in writing from the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, 1700 G Street N.W., Washington, DC 20552.

<u>For residents of Washington, D.C.</u>: You can obtain information about steps to take to avoid identity theft from the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia at: 441 4th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001; 202-727-3400; www.oag.dc.gov.

For residents of *Iowa*: State law advises you to report any suspected identity theft to law enforcement or to the Attorney General.

For residents of *Oregon***:** State laws advise you to report any suspected identity theft to law enforcement, including the Attorney General, and the Federal Trade Commission.

For residents of *Maryland*, *Rhode Island*, *Illinois*, *New York*, and *North Carolina*: You can obtain information from the Maryland and North Carolina Offices of the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission about fraud alerts, security freezes, and steps you can take toward preventing identity theft

Maryland Office of the Attorney General Consumer Protection Division, 200 St. Paul Place, Baltimore, MD 21202 1-888-743-0023 www.oag.state.md.us

Rhode Island Office of the Attorney General Consumer Protection, 150 South Main Street, Providence, RI 02903 1-401-274-4400 www.riag.ri.gov

North Carolina Office of the Attorney General Consumer Protection Division, 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-9001 1-877-566-7226 www.ncdoj.com

Federal Trade Commission Consumer Response Center, 600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW Washington, DC 20580 1-877-IDTHEFT (438-4338) www.ftc.gov/idtheft

New York Office of Attorney General Consumer Frauds & Protection, The Capitol, Albany, NY 12224 1-800-771-7755 https://ag.ny.gov/consumer-frauds/identity-theft

For residents of *Massachusetts* and *Rhode Island*: It is required by state law that you are informed of your right to obtain a police report if you are a victim of identity theft.

For residents of all states:

Fraud Alerts: You can place fraud alerts with the three credit bureaus by phone and online with Equifax (https://assets.equifax.com/assets/personal/Fraud_Alert_Request_Form.pdf); TransUnion (https://www.transunion.com/fraud-alerts); or Experian (https://www.experian.com/fraud/center.html). A fraud alert tells creditors to follow certain procedures, including contacting you, before they open any new accounts or change your existing accounts. For that reason, placing a fraud alert can protect you, but also may delay you when you seek to obtain credit. As of September 21, 2018, initial fraud alerts last for one year. Victims of identity theft can also get an extended fraud alert for seven years. The phone numbers for all three credit bureaus are at the bottom of this page.

Equifax Security Freeze P.O. Box 105788 Atlanta, GA 30348 <u>equifax.com/personal/credit-report-services/</u> 1-800-349-9960 Experian Security Freeze P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013 experian.com/ freeze/center.html 1-888-397-3742 TransUnion Security Freeze P.O. Box 160 Woodlyn, PA 19094 transunion.com/credit-freeze 1-888-909-8872

More information can also be obtained by contacting the Federal Trade Commission listed above.