#### **AmeriHealth Caritas**

200 Stevens Drive Philadelphia, PA 19113



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For Addressee Only
[Provider name]
[Address 1]
[Address 2]
[City, State Zip]

Re: Personal Information Potentially Compromised

# Dear [Provider name]:

We are writing to tell you about a data security incident that may have exposed some of your personal information. While we have no reason to believe that this information has been or will be used inappropriately, we would like to let you know what happened, what information was involved, what we have done to address the situation, and to remind you of what you can do to protect your continued privacy.

### What Happened?

Through its affiliated companies, the AmeriHealth Caritas Family of Companies ("AmeriHealth Caritas") operates a network of health plans across a number of states.\* On or about November 15, 2019, we learned that a former AmeriHealth Caritas employee improperly downloaded company confidential information to a personal hard drive. On that day, we contacted him and requested that he surrender the hard drive or cooperate with us to ensure that the contents of the hard drive had been erased, but he refused to do either. Based upon our investigation, we have reason to believe that the downloaded information included files containing personal information of a number of our providers, including you.

#### What Information Was Involved?

The files on the hard drive may have included personal information about you, including your first and last name and your social security number. To date, we have not received any reports of improper use of any of this information. Nor do we have any reason to believe that the former employee will use any of this information for any improper purposes.

### What We Are Doing?

The security and privacy of your information is of utmost importance to us. Immediately upon learning of the former employee's refusal to co-operate, we took steps to determine what information was on the hard drive and to notify appropriate authorities. We contacted law enforcement promptly and are pursuing appropriate action through law enforcement concerning the former employee and the information on the hard drive. We also are looking into changes to our controls and procedures to reduce the risk of similar events occurring in the future.



### What You Can Do

There are several steps you can take to protect your continued privacy and be sure that your information is not used improperly, many of which are good practices in any event.

First, in an abundance of caution, to help protect your identity, we are offering a complimentary two-year subscription to Experian's® credit monitoring and identity theft protection service, IdentityWorks. This product helps detect possible misuse of your personal information and provides you with superior identity theft detection and resolution support. To activate your membership and start monitoring your personal information please follow the steps below:

## Activate Experian IdentityWorks Now in Three Easy Steps

- 1. **Ensure that you enroll by:** March 31, 2020 (Your code will not work after this date.)
- 2. Visit the Experian IdentityWorks website to enroll: https://www.experianidworks.com/credit
- 3. **Provide your activation code:**

If you have questions about the product, need assistance with identity restoration or would like an alternative to enrolling in Experian IdentityWorks online, please contact Experian's customer care team at **877-716-5553** by **March 31, 2020**. Be prepared to provide engagement number as proof of eligibility for the identity restoration services by Experian.

# Additional details regarding your 24-month Experian IdentityWorks membership:

A credit card is **not** required for enrollment in Experian IdentityWorks.

You can contact Experian **immediately** regarding any fraud issues and have access to the following features once you enroll in Experian IdentityWorks:

- **Experian credit report at signup:** See what information is associated with your credit file. Daily credit reports are available for online members only.
- Credit Monitoring: Actively monitors Experian file for indicators of fraud.
- Identity Restoration: Identity Restoration agents are immediately available to help you address credit and non-credit related fraud.
- Experian IdentityWorks ExtendCARE<sup>TM</sup>: You receive the same high-level of Identity Restoration support even after your Experian IdentityWorks membership has expired.
- Up to \$1 Million Identity Theft Insurance: Provides coverage for certain costs and unauthorized electronic fund transfers.

If you believe there was fraudulent use of your information and would like to discuss how you may be able to resolve those issues, please reach out to an Experian agent at **877-716-5553**. If, after discussing your situation with an agent, it is determined that Identity Restoration support is needed, then an Experian Identity Restoration agent is available to work with you to investigate and resolve each incident of fraud that occurred (including, as appropriate, helping you with contacting credit grantors to dispute charges and close accounts; assisting you in placing a freeze on your credit file with the three major credit bureaus; and assisting you with contacting government agencies to help restore your identity to its proper condition).



Please note that this Identity Restoration support is available to you for one year from the date of this letter and does not require any action on your part at this time. The Terms and Conditions for this offer are located at <a href="https://www.experianIDWorks.com/restoration">www.experianIDWorks.com/restoration</a>. You will also find self-help tips and information about identity protection at this site.

Second, contact any financial institutions that you bank with and advise them of this situation, particularly if any of them use your social security number to identify or verify you. Check your accounts online or via telephone for any potential fraudulent activity. You should check your periodic statements from each such financial institution or credit card company promptly upon receiving them to be sure that no unauthorized transactions have occurred, and remain vigilant for incidents of fraud and identity theft.

Third, you should review any explanations of benefits, account statements, transaction confirmations that you receive by mail or email or any other similar communications you receive from institutions that you know. If you find any activity you do not recognize or that seems suspicious, you should contact the sender of that information immediately.

#### For More Information

For general information on protecting your privacy and preventing unauthorized use of your personal information, you may visit the U.S. Federal Trade Commission's Web site, http://ftc.gov or contact your state office of consumer affairs or attorney general. You can also see the enclosed "Reference Guide" for more information relevant to your state.

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We are committed to maintaining the security and privacy of the personal information you entrusted to us. We apologize for any inconvenience or concern this incident may cause. If we can be of any further assistance or answer any questions, please call **877-716-5553**.

Sincerely,

Tyrina D. Blomer, Esq.

Vice President, Corporate Compliance and Privacy Officer

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