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July 26, 2023

Patient Name
Patient Address
City, State, Zip

Dear ,

We are writing to notify you that some of your protected health information (PHI) maintained by Ob Hospitalist Group (OBHG) has been improperly disclosed. We discovered this disclosure on July 18, 2023.

On July 16, 2023, one of our employed physicians unintentionally faxed a billing information form to an incorrect fax number. The form included patient names, medical record numbers and dates of birth. No patient Social Security numbers or any financial information was included on the faxed form.

Because the disclosed information did not contain your Social Security number, credit card information or other financial identifiers, we do **not** believe that you are at a high risk for identity theft. However, we want to make you aware of the incident so that you can remain alert. If you wish to contact one of the three credit monitoring agencies to place a fraud alert on your accounts, you may contact them by phone or at the website addresses shown below:

Equifax

Phone: 888-298-0045

Website: www.equifax.com**Experian**

Phone: 888-397-3742

Website: www.experian.com**TransUnion**

Phone: 800-916-8800

Website: www.transunion.com

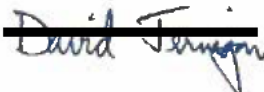
OBHG takes this incident very seriously. We have counseled the physician to double-check fax numbers before sending a fax. In addition, we provide training on PHI security to all our employees every year.

We will also notify the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) of this accidental disclosure. You may contact DCA toll-free at 800-922-1594 for additional information on identity protection.

OBHG is committed to safeguarding your personal information and using it in an appropriate manner. We take the privacy of our patients' health information very seriously. We apologize for any inconvenience or concern this situation may cause you.

If you have any questions or desire additional information, you may contact me at the toll-free number or email address shown below.

Sincerely,

**DAVID JERNIGAN, CHC**

Director, Compliance

Toll-free:

Email: