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April 18, 2025

### **NOTICE OF <<Variable Text 2>>**

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

The Plastic Surgery Center writes to inform you of an event that may impact the privacy of some of your personal information. We are providing you with information about the event, our response, and steps you may take to protect against any misuse of your information, should you feel it necessary to do so.

What Happened? On November 4, 2024, The Plastic Surgery Center's contracted billing company detected suspicious activity within its network and began an investigation into the nature and scope of the activity. The investigation determined that some systems were accessed by an unknown actor on November 4, 2024, and during this time, certain files were accessed and/or exfiltrated. The Plastic Surgery Center and the contracted billing company then conducted a detailed review of the systems that were involved in order to determine what information they may contain and to whom it belongs. We recently completed this review on April 4, 2025.

**What Information Was Involved?** The following type of information related to you was impacted: your name, << Extra 1>>. This incident did not impact any photographs related to the services you received. The Plastic Surgery Center is not aware of any actual or attempted misuse of your information in connection with this incident.

What We Are Doing. The confidentiality, privacy, and security of information in our care is among our highest priorities. Upon discovering the suspicious activity, we immediately commenced an investigation to confirm its nature and scope. We also reported the event to federal law enforcement and implemented additional security measures related to data privacy and security. As an added precaution, we are offering you access to credit monitoring and identity restoration assistance services for <<12/24>> months through IDX at no cost to you. The deadline to enroll in these services is July 18, 2025. A description of services and instructions regarding how to enroll can be found within the enclosed *Steps You Can Take to Help Protect Personal Information*. Please note that you must complete the enrollment process yourself as we are not permitted to enroll you in these services.

What You Can Do. In addition to enrolling in the credit monitoring services being offered to you, we encourage you to remain vigilant against incidents of identity theft and fraud by reviewing your account statements and reporting suspected identity theft and fraud to your credit card company or bank. You may also review the information contained in the enclosed *Steps You Can Take to Help Protect Personal Information*. There you will also find more information regarding ways to protect and monitor your information.

**For More Information.** If you have further questions or concerns, or would like an alternative to enrolling online, please call 1-877-395-1312 toll-free, Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM – 9:00 PM Eastern (excluding major U.S. holidays). You can also write to us at Plastic Surgery Center PA, Dept. 1373, PO Box 4195, Woburn, MA 01888-4195.

Sincerely,

The Plastic Surgery Center

# Steps You Can Take to Help Protect Personal Information

# **Enroll in Monitoring Services**

- **1. Website and Enrollment.** Scan the QR image or go to <a href="https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect">https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect</a> and follow the instructions for enrollment using your Enrollment Code provided at the top of the letter.
- **2. Activate the credit monitoring** provided as part of your IDX identity protection 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.
- **3. Telephone.** Contact IDX at 1-877-395-1312 to gain additional information about this event and speak with knowledgeable representatives about the appropriate steps to take to protect your credit identity.

If you discover any suspicious items and have enrolled in IDX identity protection, notify them immediately by calling or by logging into the IDX website and filing a request for help.

If you file a request for help or report suspicious activity, you will be contacted by a member of our ID Care team who will help you determine the cause of the suspicious items. In the unlikely event that you fall victim to identity theft as a consequence of this incident, you will be assigned an ID Care Specialist who will work on your behalf to identify, stop and reverse the damage quickly.

### **Monitor Your Accounts**

Under U.S. law, a consumer is entitled to one free credit report annually from each of the three major credit reporting bureaus, Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion. To order a free credit report, visit <a href="www.annualcreditreport.com">www.annualcreditreport.com</a> or call, toll-free, 1-877-322-8228. Consumers may also directly contact the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below to request a free copy of their credit report.

Consumers have the right to place an initial or extended "fraud alert" on a credit file at no cost. An initial fraud alert is a 1-year alert that is placed on a consumer's credit file. Upon seeing a fraud alert display on a consumer's credit file, a business is required to take steps to verify the consumer's identity before extending new credit. If consumers are the victim of identity theft, they are entitled to an extended fraud alert, which is a fraud alert lasting seven years. Should consumers wish to place a fraud alert, please contact any of the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below.

As an alternative to a fraud alert, consumers 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 the consumer's express authorization. The credit freeze is designed to prevent credit, loans, and services from being approved in a consumer's name without consent. However, consumers should be aware that using a credit freeze to take control over who gets access to the personal and financial information in their credit report may delay, interfere with, or prohibit the timely approval of any subsequent request or application they make regarding a new loan, credit, mortgage, or any other account involving the extension of credit. Pursuant to federal law, consumers cannot be charged to place or lift a credit freeze on their credit report. To request a credit freeze, individuals may need to provide some or all of the following information:

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

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

Equifax	Experian	TransUnion
https://www.equifax.com/personal/	https://www.experian.com/help/	https://www.transunion.com/
credit-report-services/		<u>data-breach-help</u>
1-888-298-0045	1-888-397-3742	1-833-799-5355
Equifax Fraud Alert, P.O. Box 105069	Experian Fraud Alert, P.O. Box	TransUnion, P.O. Box 2000,
Atlanta, GA 30348-5069	9554, Allen, TX 75013	Chester, PA 19016
Equifax Credit Freeze, P.O. Box 105788	Experian Credit Freeze, P.O.	TransUnion, P.O. Box 160,
Atlanta, GA 30348-5788	Box 9554, Allen, TX 75013	Woodlyn, PA 19094

# **Additional Information**

Consumers may further educate themselves regarding identity theft, fraud alerts, credit freezes, and the steps they can take to protect your personal information by contacting the consumer reporting bureaus, the Federal Trade Commission, or their state Attorney General. The Federal Trade Commission may be reached at: 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. 20580; <a href="www.identitytheft.gov">www.identitytheft.gov</a>; 1-877-ID-THEFT (1-877-438-4338); and TTY: 1-866-653-4261. The Federal Trade Commission also encourages those who discover that their information has been misused to file a complaint with them. Consumers can obtain further information on how to file such a complaint by way of the contact information listed above. Consumers have the right to file a police report if they ever experience identity theft or fraud. Please note that in order to file a report with law enforcement for identity theft, consumers will likely need to provide some proof that they have been a victim. Instances of known or suspected identity theft should also be reported to law enforcement and the relevant state Attorney General. This notice has not been delayed by law enforcement.

For District of Columbia residents, the District of Columbia Attorney General may be contacted at: 400 6th Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20001; (202) 442-9828; and oag.dc.gov.

For Maryland residents, the Maryland Attorney General may be contacted at: 200 St. Paul Place, 16th Floor, Baltimore, MD 21202; 1-410-576-6300 or 1-888-743-0023; and <a href="https://www.marylandattorneygeneral.gov/">https://www.marylandattorneygeneral.gov/</a>.

For New Mexico residents, consumers have rights pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act, such as the right to be told if information in their credit file has been used against them, the right to know what is in their credit file, the right to ask for their credit score, and the right to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information. Further, pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act, the consumer reporting bureaus must correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information; consumer reporting agencies may not report outdated negative information; access to consumers' files is limited; consumers must give consent for credit reports to be provided to employers; consumers may limit "prescreened" offers of credit and insurance based on information in their credit report; and consumers may seek damages from violators. Consumers may have additional rights under the Fair 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 consumers to review their rights pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act by visiting <a href="https://www.consumerfinance.gov/f/201504\_cfpb\_summary\_your-rights-under-fcra.pdf">www.consumerfinance.gov/f/201504\_cfpb\_summary\_your-rights-under-fcra.pdf</a>, or by writing Consumer Response Center, Room 130-A, Federal Trade Commission, 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 <a href="https://ag.ny.gov">https://ag.ny.gov</a>.

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 <a href="https://www.ncdoj.gov">www.ncdoj.gov</a>.

For Rhode Island residents, the Rhode Island Attorney General may be reached at: 150 South Main Street, Providence, RI 02903; <a href="www.riag.ri.gov">www.riag.ri.gov</a>; and 1-401-274-4400. Under Rhode Island law, individuals have the right to obtain any police report filed in regard to this event. There are approximately 7 Rhode Island residents that may be impacted by this event.