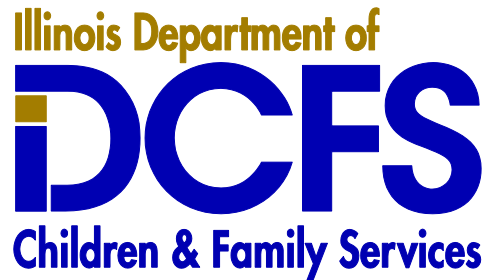


JB Pritzker  
Governor



Heidi E. Mueller  
Director

April 17, 2024

Clerk of the House  
Capitol Building, Room 300  
Springfield, Illinois 62706

Re: Personal Information Protection Act (815 ILCS 530, et seq.)  
Report of a Loss of Protected Personal Information

Dear Members of the General Assembly:

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 25 of the Personal Information Protection Act, the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) submits this report of a breach of written material.

On March 26, 2024, the private attorney's office of a DCFS appellant provided notice that the DCFS Administrative Hearings Unit inadvertently included records of another DCFS client in their file. The recipient has confirmed to us that they have shredded/destroyed the records. The records contained the name, substance abuse information, medical and mental health information, as well as information having to do with LEADS and CANTS checks. The number of individuals involved in this breach is two ("2").

DCFS sincerely regrets this incident. DCFS has contacted the affected individuals and provided them with information about credit monitoring services and other ways to protect their identity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "H. Mueller".

Heidi E. Mueller  
Director  
Illinois Department of Children and Family Services