

JB Pritzker
Governor



Heidi E. Mueller
Director

April 26, 2024

Secretary of the Senate
Capitol Building, Room 401
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 April 10, 2024, a DCFS caseworker inadvertently sent an email attachment which included confidential information to an unintended recipient at another state agency. We are in contact with the recipient who has confirmed that they did not open the attachment and that they have deleted/destroyed the record. The document contained the individual's name, medical, and mental health information. The number of individual(s) involved in this breach is one ("1").

DCFS sincerely regrets this incident. DCFS has contacted the affected individual 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