

**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, D.C. 20515**

March 8, 2023

Ms. Mila Kofman  
Executive Director  
DC Health Benefit Exchange Authority  
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Washington, D.C. 20005

Dear Ms. Kofman:

The United States Capitol Police (USCP) informed House Leadership that your organization, DC Health Link, suffered a significant data breach of enrollee information, including Personally Identifiable Information (PII) of House Members, employees, and their family members.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) also informed us that they were able to purchase this PII, along with other enrollee information on the “dark web” breached from your systems, including names of spouses, dependent children, their social security numbers, and home addresses. This breach significantly increases the risk that Members, staff, and their families will experience identity theft, financial crimes, and physical threats – already an ongoing concern. Fortunately, the individuals selling the information appear unaware of the high-level sensitivity of the confidential information in their possession, and its relation to Members of Congress. This will certainly change as media reports more widely publicize the breach.

At this moment, the cause, size and scope of the data breach affecting DC Health Link could not be determined by the FBI. Thousands of House Members and employees from across the United States have enrolled in health insurance through DC Health Link for themselves and their families since 2014. The size and scope of impacted House customers could be extraordinary.

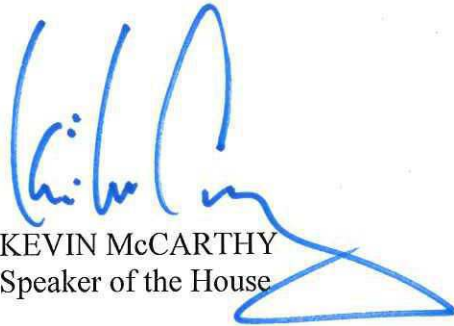
We respectfully request answers to the following questions regarding this breach. While the response to some questions may take time as your internal investigation continues, we ask that you promptly respond to questions #1 and #2 so we can advise Members and staff on what actions have been taken to protect their information and the information of their families:

1. When will you be formally notifying individuals impacted by the breach, including Members, employees, and dependents?
2. What services, including credit monitoring services, will you be offering as part of the response to this incident?
3. Have you been able to determine which accounts and enrollees were impacted? How certain are you in this determination?

4. What specific enrollee information was stolen?
5. How many specific House enrollees have been compromised? In your response, please indicate the number of Member, employees and dependents impacted.
6. What steps have you taken to ensure new enrollee data will be protected from a future breach?
7. Please provide any additional steps or actions you are taking to mitigate the damage from this breach and prevent it from recurring.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Mrs. Catherine Szpindor, Chief Administrative Officer of the United States House of Representatives at 202 225-5555.

Sincerely,



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Speaker of the House



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Democratic Leader

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Chairman, Committee on Oversight and Accountability

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