

Providence notifies 5,400 Oregon patients of records breach

PORTLAND (AP) — Providence Health & Services in Oregon is notifying about 5,400 current and former patients that a former employee may have improperly accessed their patient records.

Providence said in a statement Friday that it learned of the breach in May during an internal audit and had since fired the Portland-based employee.

The audit found the worker had accessed health records between July 2012 and April 2016. It says the worker viewed demographic and medical treatment information, and may also have seen insurance information and Social Security numbers.

The healthcare provider, however, says it does not believe the worker used or disclosed the information beyond seeing it.

Providence apologized for the breach, says it's taking steps to make sure it doesn't happen again and is offering those affected 24 months of credit monitoring.

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Nore obliged, incorporating a hiker, horse, fish, coffee and pastry, and a guitar plus other local items.

"I researched the project and immediately felt inspired, both artistically and personally. The nine tenets that C4C and Speak Your Peace promote resonate deeply with my own beliefs," Nore said.

"The project of creation proved challenging, yet as rewarding as presenting the final project!"

The Sisters poster is not Nore's first venture into that design arena. She was chosen the winner of the 2013 Bend Winterfest Poster Art Contest with her watercolor-and-ink entry illustrating components of the annual event. She was also the Newberry National Volcanic Monument poster artist for 2016.

Her list of accolades includes being a contest winner of the 2010 Oregon Wild Outdoor Photo contest, a recording artist on a number of CDs, logo designer, successful entrepreneur with her business narZart, and numerous art shows.

Last November she was the youth representative from Caldera at an awards ceremony at the White House. She received the award on behalf of Caldera from First Lady Michelle Obama. The National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Award is the

nation's highest honor for creative youth programs and Caldera was one of 12 organizations so honored.

"When I walked onto the stage to accept the award, I felt as though I was taking every single person involved with Caldera with me. I could feel their support and happiness in my heart. The moment was life-changing. I am still overwhelmed by the beautiful, positive energy that was flowing through that experience," Nore said.

Nore's home page on her WIX.com site says that creation is her meditative practice.

"I aspire to help people understand how they think, to encourage free-artisty, and intend to facilitate therapeutic activity in my future as an art therapist," the site says.

Drawing is not her only artistic pursuit.

"My artistic interests are quite sporadic. Thus, thanks to SHS's arts program and Caldera, I experiment with every visual art form I can get my hands on!" Alena said.

"While painting is my favorite visual art medium by far (I am enamored by watercolors), I also enjoy sewing, sculpting, knitting, collage-making, mono-printing, linoleum-stamp making, and working digitally on my new



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Alena Nore with her poster for the Sisters civility project.

Surface Pro (which was my Quest for Excellence Visual Arts scholarship award)."

Alena is also a musician. She was a three-year member of the SHS Jazz Choir and the High Desert Chorale during her senior year.

She participated in the SHS Americana Project, which introduced her to the guitar. She is now a singer-songwriter and performer as a result of her Americana experience. Although she also dabbles in piano and drums and creates digital mixes, her guitar is her go-to instrument.

Come fall, Alena will be attending Grinnell College, a

private liberal arts college in Grinnell, Iowa, known for its rigorous academics and tradition of social responsibility.

"Words cannot fully express how excited I am," Alena said when talking about Grinnell.

"Ultimately, I intend to attain certification in counseling and to practice arts therapy," she said of her plans for the future.

Those plans also include travel to Japan.

"I was the first to utilize online self-study of Japanese through Middlebury College to meet SHS required language credits," Nore said.


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