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## **Florida Department of Health Breached, Patients' Private Information Exposed**

Florida's Department of Health issued a notice of data breach detailing the compromise of an employee's Microsoft Outlook 365 account which exposed Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa, and Walton patients' private information, as reported by WKRG. The Department of Health conducted an internal investigation which unveiled that the Microsoft Outlook 365 account of the Children's Medical Services (CMS) employee was compromised and accessed by an unauthorized third party from October 8 until October 16, 2018. Following this discovery, the employee's login credentials were immediately reset to stop any further attempts of illegally accessing the CMS' computing systems. Furthermore, the security breach was also reported to the Inspector General and the Security Administration Team for further investigation and for identifying the unauthorized user who infiltrated CMS' systems. The data breach notification also says that "It is possible that individuals served by the District 1 Child Protection Team may have had their names, psychological, and medical conditions accessed as a result of this incident."