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### **Glause confirms Wyomingites impacted by Anthem security breach**

**Cheyenne, Wyo.** — Wyoming Insurance Commissioner Tom Glause announced he was informed by Anthem Inc. (Anthem) that over 53,000 Wyoming citizens were impacted by its recent data security breach. Information containing individual and dependent names, addresses, social security numbers and birth dates was compromised. Anthem has indicated it will be sending a letter to anyone affected, so people should closely watch their mail for any correspondence from Anthem.

“I remain very concerned about this security breach and encourage Wyoming residents to pay attention to these communications,” said Commissioner Tom Glause. “The Department of Insurance continues to have weekly discussions with Anthem to pursue appropriate protection for our consumers.”

Anthem is offering 24 months of free identity theft repair and credit monitoring services to current or former members of the affected plans. Anthem will be notifying people affected by the breach by mail beginning in late February, but customers do not need to wait until they receive notification to enroll in the free protection.

"If you feel that your personal information may have been compromised because of this security breach, I highly recommend you contact Anthem directly for more information," said Insurance Commissioner Tom Glause. "You can enroll in identity protection services today. We are hopeful that more consumers will take advantage of the free credit monitoring now."

To learn more or enroll in identity theft protection services, visit [www.AnthemFacts.com](http://www.AnthemFacts.com) or call 877-263-7995. Anthem says it does not appear that patients' medical or financial information was exposed in the attack, nor does it appear that the data is being sold online. However, scam artists, identification thieves and other criminals are known to use this type of information for many different crimes and for many years.

The Wyoming Insurance Department can also be contacted for assistance at (800)-438-5768 or (307)-777-7401.