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3 hospital employees access patient information

The Associated Press

In an effort to notify patients that employees improperly accessed patient information, an Orlando area hospital has placed a newspaper advertisement with the headline: "Public Notice."

Florida Hospital officials tell The Orlando Sentinel (<http://thesent.nl/pS8LAI>) that police are investigating. Three employees have been fired. They're accused of accessing patients' names, date of birth, Social Security numbers, and insurance information. It was not immediately known how many patients were affected.

The information was taken from emergency department in three central Florida counties during a 20-month period ending in August.

The quarter-page ad, which does not bear the Florida Hospital logo, says "the hospital will offer credit monitoring to patients that might have been affected.

Hospital spokeswoman Samantha O'Lenick says all patients who are thought to have been affected will be contacted.

Read more: <http://www.miamiherald.com/2011/09/30/v-print/2432350/3-hospital-employees-access-patient.html#ixzz1ZS3hGFAR>