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## **EXTRAORDINARY MEASURE**

The Ministry of Health, as the competent administrative authority, pursuant to Section 80(1)(g) of Act No. 258/2000 Coll., on Public Health Protection and on the amendment of certain related acts, as amended, and Section 2(1) of Act No. 94/2021 Coll., on Extraordinary Measures during the COVID-19 Disease Epidemic and on the amendment of certain related acts, orders this Extraordinary Measure, proceeding pursuant to Section 69(1)(i) and (2) of Act No. 258/2000 Coll., and pursuant to Section 2(2)(b) of Act No. 94/2021 Coll., in order to protect the population against the further spread of the COVID-19 disease caused by the novel SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus:

### **I.**

Effective from 12:00 a.m. on 22 November 2021 until the cancellation of this Extraordinary Measure:

1. visits to patients at healthcare facilities are restricted among all healthcare service providers, in that visits may only be permitted under the condition that the person visiting the patient does not show clinical symptoms of COVID-19, and (with the exception of children under 12 years of age) demonstrates to the healthcare service provider that they meet the following conditions:
  - a) the person has taken an RT-PCR test for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen with a negative result no more than 72 hours ago, or
  - b) the person has taken a rapid antigen test (RAT) for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 antigen with a negative result no more than 24 hours ago, carried out by a healthcare professional, orthe person has been vaccinated against COVID-19 and submits a national certificate of completed vaccination or a certificate of completed vaccination issued pursuant to the European Union regulation on the EU COVID digital certificate EU COVID<sup>1</sup>, under the condition that at least 14 days have passed since the completion of the

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<sup>1</sup> Regulation (EU) 2021/953 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 June 2021 on a framework for the issuance, verification and recognition of interoperable certificates on vaccination, testing and recovery in relation to COVID-19 (EU COVID digital certificate) was published in the Official Journal of the European Union to facilitate free movement during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Regulation (EU) 2021/954 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 June 2021 on a framework for the issuance, verification and recognition of interoperable certificates on vaccination, testing and recovery in relation to COVID-19 (EU COVID digital certificate) in relation to the nationals of third countries with permits to stay or reside in EU Member States during the COVID-19 pandemic.

vaccination program; a national certificate of performed vaccination refers to a written confirmation issued at least in the English language by an authorized entity operating in a third country, a specimen of which is published in the list of recognized national certificates on the website of the Ministry of Health; the written confirmation must contain data about the vaccinated person, administered type of vaccine, date of administration of the vaccine and identification of the entity that issued the confirmation of that vaccination, whereas these data must be verifiable via remote access directly from the written confirmation, assuming vaccination was performed using

- i) a medicinal product containing a COVID-19 vaccine granted market authorization under Regulation (EC) No. 726/2004, or
    - ii) a medicinal product manufactured in accordance with a patent for the medicinal product pursuant to point i), if this medicinal product has been approved by the World Health Organization for emergency use; or
  - c) the person has undergone a laboratory-confirmed case of COVID-19, where the period of ordered isolation has ended, and no more than 180 days have passed since the first positive RT-PCR test for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus or rapid antigen test (RAT) for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 antigen, unless the healthcare service provider stipulates otherwise in justified cases by means of an organizational measure; the person visiting a patient who fulfils one of the listed conditions may conduct the visit while observing the provider's other systemic measures,
2. prohibits all healthcare service providers from allowing the presence of a third party during childbirth at a healthcare facility, if the following conditions are not met:
  - childbirth takes place in a separate birthing room or box with its own social amenities,
  - contact between the third party and other birthing mothers is restricted,
  - a third person is subject to the same rules as person visiting a patient pursuant to point 1,
3. visits to users among all social service providers, at homes for seniors and homes with special regimes, and all social service residential facilities (pursuant to Section 44, 49 and 50 of Act No. 108/2006 Coll., on Social Services), are restricted in that visits may only be permitted under the condition that the person visiting the user does not show clinical symptoms of COVID-19 and (with the exception of children under 12 years of age) demonstrates to the social service provider that they meet the following conditions:
  - a) the person has taken an RT-PCR test for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen with a negative result no more than 72 hours ago, or
  - b) the person has taken a rapid antigen test (RAT) for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 antigen with a negative result no more than 24 hours ago, carried out by a healthcare professional, or
  - c) the person has been vaccinated against COVID-19 and submits a national certificate of completed vaccination or a certificate of completed vaccination issued pursuant to the European Union regulation on the EU COVID digital certificate<sup>1</sup>, under the condition that at least 14 days have passed since the completion of the vaccination program; a national certificate of completed vaccination refers to a written confirmation issued at least in the English language by the authorized entity operating in a third country, a specimen of which is published in the list of recognized national certificates on the website of the Ministry of Health; the written confirmation must contain data about the vaccinated person, administered type of vaccine, date of administration of the vaccine, identification of the entity that issued the confirmation of that vaccination, whereas these data must be verifiable via remote access directly from the written confirmation, assuming the vaccination was performed using
    - i) a medicinal product containing a COVID-19 vaccine granted market authorization under Regulation (EC) No. 726/2004, or
    - ii) a medicinal product manufactured in accordance with a patent for the medicinal

- product pursuant to point i), if this medicinal product has been approved by the World Health Organization for emergency use; or
- d) the person has undergone a laboratory-confirmed case of COVID-19, where the period of ordered isolation has ended, and no more than 180 days have passed since the first positive RT-PCR test for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus or rapid antigen test (RAT) for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 antigen, unless the social services provider stipulates otherwise in justified cases by means of an organizational measure; the person visiting a user who fulfils one of the listed conditions may conduct the visit while observing the provider's other systemic measures.

## II.

Effective from 12:00 a.m. on 22 November 2021, the Extraordinary Measure of the Ministry of Health of 5 November 2021, Ref. No. MZDR 14597/2021-4/MIN/KAN, is repealed.

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Minister of Health