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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 amending certain related acts, as amended (hereinafter “Act No. 258/2000 Coll.”), **orders** this extraordinary measure, proceeding pursuant to Section 69(1)(b) and (2) of Act No. 258/2000 Coll., in order to protect the population and prevent the danger of the occurrence and spread of the COVID-19 disease caused by the novel coronavirus SARS-CoV-2:

I.

1. Effective from 1 September 2020 until the cancellation of this extraordinary measure, operations are restricted at inpatient healthcare facilities and social service facilities, in that the providers of inpatient healthcare services and social service facilities, with the exception of sheltered housing, (pursuant to Section 34 of Act No. 108/2006 Coll., on social services) in residential form and facilitating social services in residential form must observe the following rules:
 - As concerns the presence of a legal guardian or person designated by the legal guardian, foster parent or other person to whose care the patient was entrusted by decision of a court or another authority, custodian or person designated by the custodian, in the case of a person whose mental capacity is restricted so that they are unable to assess the provision of healthcare services or the consequences of their provision, a close person or person designated by the patient, or other persons who wish to visit the patient, but no more than two persons may be allowed in the presence of the patient at one time; exceptions may be permitted in cases worthy of special consideration, e.g. if the visitor requires support and accompaniment.
 - Each person visiting the patient will be asked whether they exhibit any symptoms of the COVID-19 disease, e.g. in the form of a questionnaire.
 - If a visitor exhibits any positive symptoms corresponding to the disease, they will not be allowed to visit the patient.
 - The aforementioned restrictions do not apply to the presence of visitors with patients in terminal stages of incurable diseases.
 - If possible, visits should take place in the outdoor areas of the facilities (garden, common terrace, etc.) or in single rooms or in a room reserved for this purpose.
 - The disinfection of surfaces which are touched by hands must be performed regularly, using a product with a virucidal effect.

The term “patient” also refers to a “social service user”.

2. Effective from 1 September 2020 until the cancellation of this extraordinary measure, the legal guardian or person designated by the legal guardian, foster parent or other person to whose care the patient was entrusted by a decision of a court or another authority, custodian or person designated by the custodian, in the case of a person whose mental capacity is restricted so that they are unable to assess the provision of healthcare services or the consequences of their provision, a close person or person designated by the patient, or other persons who wish to visit the patient, are obliged to observe the restrictions set forth in paragraph 1.

II.

The Extraordinary Measure of the Ministry of Health from 3 July 2020, ref. no MZDR 16214/2020-5/MIN/KAN, is rescinded effective from 1 September 2020.

III

This extraordinary measure takes effect on the date it is issued.

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