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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 referred to as "Act No. 258/2000 Coll."), orders this Extraordinary Measure, proceeding pursuant to Section 69(1)(i) and (2) of Act No. 258/2000 Coll., to protect the population and prevent the occurrence and spread of COVID-19 caused by the novel SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus:

Effective from 4 December 2020 until 18 December 2020, all healthcare service providers included in the network of antigen testing centers (AOC) are ordered

- a) to conduct tests to stipulate the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen using POC antigen tests among all the pedagogical employees at schools and educational facilities, which perform their activity pursuant to the Schools Act in the Czech Republic and which, given the current epidemiological situation, are considered to be the focal point of outbreaks (hereinafter the "pedagogical employee"), if they request the performance of an antigen test and present confirmation pursuant to Art. II; testing is not performed for persons who have been isolated due to the COVID-19 disease minimally in the scope pursuant to the valid extraordinary measure of the Ministry of Health concerning the ordering of isolation and quarantine, and in whose case more than 90 days have not passed since the first RT-PCR test with a positive result, and among persons who took a RT-PCR test with a negative result in the past 5 days;
- b) to conduct a confirmation test to stipulate the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus using the RT-PCR method for a pedagogical employee who does not have clinical symptoms of COVID-19 disease but has tested positive using a POC antigen test for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen; such a pedagogical employee is also ordered to take a confirmation RT-PCR test on the spot without delay.

II.

All employers who employ pedagogical employees pursuant to Art. I are ordered, at the employee's request, to issue confirmation of their employment as a pedagogical employee and to allow this employee to take the test pursuant to Art. I, if this is not prevented by serious operational reasons.

III.

Effective from 4 December 2020, all healthcare service providers listed under Art. I are ordered to inform the locally competent public health protection authorities of the fact that a pedagogical employee with clinical symptoms of COVID-19 disease has tested positive in the POC antigen test, or that a pedagogical employee without clinical symptoms of COVID-19 disease has tested positive in the POC antigen test and then underwent a confirmation RT-PCR test pursuant to Art. I(b) for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus with a positive result.

IV.

All the pedagogical employees pursuant to Art. I who tested positive in the POC antigen test are ordered, immediately after learning the test result, to report this fact to their registering healthcare service provider in the field of general medicine or the healthcare provider with which their employer has concluded a contract on the provision of labour healthcare services.

V.

Effective from 4 December 2020, all healthcare service providers who perform preventive tests to determine the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen using POC antigen tests pursuant to Art. I are ordered to report, electronically and without undue delay, information about every POC antigen test result, or subsequently performed RT-PCR confirmation test pursuant to Art. I(b) for stipulating the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus in the tested pedagogical employee pursuant to Art. I, to the Information System of Infectious Diseases (ISIN).

VI.

Effective from 4 December 2020, all healthcare service providers who were notified by a pedagogical employee pursuant to Art. I of the fact pursuant to Art. IV are ordered to order:

- a) the isolation of the pedagogical employee who tested positive in a POC antigen test for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus, who also has clinical symptoms of the COVID-19 disease; the extraordinary measure of the Ministry of Health concerning the ordering or isolation in the case of a positive RT-PCR test result for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus shall apply as appropriate for ordering and terminating isolation;
- b) isolation via the procedure pursuant to the extraordinary measure of the Ministry of Health concerning the ordering of isolation in the case of a positive RT-PCR test result for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus of the pedagogical employee who does not have clinical symptoms of the COVID-19 disease, but was tested positive in a POC antigen test for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen, and who

subsequently tested positive in an RT-PCR confirmation test for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus.

VII.

For the purposes of Act No. 48/1997 Coll., on Public Health Insurance and on the amendment and supplementation of certain related laws, as amended, this measure is considered to be a measure against infectious disease pursuant to Section 30(1) of the same act.

VIII.

This extraordinary measure comes into validity on its issue date and expires on 18 December 2020.

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