RESOLUTION
OF THE GOVERNMENT OF
THE CZECH REPUBLIC
of 18 March 2021, No. 297

Adopting an Emergency Measure

In connection with Government Resolution No. 196 of 26 February 2021, under which the Government, pursuant to Articles 5 and 6 of Constitutional Act No. 110/1998 Coll., on the Security of the Czech Republic, declared a state of emergency in the Czech Republic due to the threat to health in connection with the documented occurrence of the coronavirus (known as SARS CoV-2) in the territory of the Czech Republic and within the meaning of Section 5(a) through (e) and Section 6 of Act No. 240/2000 Coll., on Crisis Management and on the amendment of certain acts (the Crisis Act), as amended, in order to deal with the arising crisis, it has decided to adopt crisis measures, within the meaning of Section 5(c) through (e) and Section 6(1)(b) of the Crisis Act.

The Government

I. effective from 12:00 a.m. on 20 March 2021 until 11:59 p.m. on 28 March 2021,

1. prohibits visits to all healthcare service providers to patients in the healthcare facilities at workplaces where acute inpatient care is provided and where inpatient care is provided, with the exception of:
   – the presence of a third party during childbirth at a healthcare facility under the conditions pursuant to paragraph 3,
   – visits to patients who are minors,
   – visits to patients whose legal capacity has been restricted,
   – visits to patients in hospices and other patients in the terminal stage of an incurable illness,

2. restricts visits to patients at all healthcare service providers at workplaces which provide long-term care or inpatient after-care, in that the visit may be permitted only under the condition that the person visiting the patient undergoes a POC test with a negative result for the presence of antigens against the SARS CoV-2 virus before the visit; this requirement does not apply to persons who
   a) have taken an RT-PCR test or POC test for the presence of SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen with a negative result no more than 48 hours before the start of the visit, and present a document thereof,
   b) who have a certificate of the Ministry of Health of the Czech Republic on vaccination against COVID-19, and at least 14 days have passed since the application of the second dose of the vaccine in the case of a two-dose scheme in accordance with the summary of product characteristics (hereinafter “SPC”) or at least 14 days have passed since the application of the first dose of the vaccine in the case of a single-dose scheme in accordance with the SPC, and the vaccinated person is not showing any COVID-19 symptoms, or
   c) have suffered COVID-19 within 90 days before the date of the visit and present a document thereof;

a person visiting a patient who fulfills one of the foregoing conditions may conduct the visit, under the condition that they use protective respiratory equipment throughout the visit, that being minimally a FFP2 or KN95 class respirator without an exhalation valve, with the exception of children under two years of age, who are not required to wear protective respiratory equipment, and with the exception of children aged two to fifteen years if they have other protective respiratory equipment (nose,
mouth) to prevent the spread of droplets, and while observing the other systemic measures imposed by the provider,

3. 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:
   − the third party is the second parent of the child or person living in a shared household with the mother giving birth,
   − 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,
   − the third party undergoes the measuring of their temperature before entering the birth room or box,
   − the third party has a body temperature of less than 37.0 °C and has no other symptoms of the COVID-19 disease,
   − the third party uses a surgical mask as minimum protection of their respiratory passages (the use or improvised or fabric masks is insufficient),

4. limits 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), in that visits may only be permitted under the condition that the person visiting the user undergoes a POC test for the presence of antigens against the SARS-CoV-2 virus with a negative result before commencing the visit; this requirement does not apply to persons who
   a) have taken an RT-PCR test or POC test for the presence of SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen with a negative result no more than 48 hours before the start of the visit, and present a document thereof,
   b) who have a certificate of the Ministry of Health of the Czech Republic on vaccination against COVID-19, and at least 14 days have passed since the application of the second dose of the vaccine in the case of a two-dose scheme in accordance with the summary of product characteristics (hereinafter “SPC”) or at least 14 days have passed since the application of the first dose of the vaccine in the case of a single-dose scheme in accordance with the SPC, and the vaccinated person is not showing any COVID-19 symptoms, or
   c) have suffered COVID-19 within 90 days before the date of the visit and present a document thereof;
   a person visiting the user who fulfills one of the foregoing conditions may conduct the visit, under the condition that they use protective respiratory equipment throughout the visit, that being minimally a FFP2 or KN95 class respirator without an exhalation valve, with the exception of children under two years of age, who are not required to wear protective respiratory equipment, and with the exception of children aged two to fifteen years if they have other protective respiratory equipment (nose, mouth) to prevent the spread of droplets, and while observing the other systemic measures imposed by the provider; in the case of visits to users in the terminal stages of an incurable disease, the visit may be permitted under the condition that the person visiting the user observes the provider's systemic measures;

II. effective from 20 March 2021, the crisis measure adopted under Government Resolution No. 201 of 26 February 2021, promulgated under No. 101/2021 Coll., is repealed.

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Minister