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Ref. No.: MZDR 14592/2021-8/MIN/KAN
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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 amendments to certain related acts, as amended, orders this Extraordinary Measure, proceeding pursuant to Section 69(1)(i) and (2) of Act No. 258/2000 Coll., in order to protect the population and prevent the occurrence and spread of the COVID-19 disease caused by the new SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus:

Effective from 3 May 2021, the Extraordinary Measure of 6 April 2021 Ref. No. MZDR 14592/2021-3/MIN/KAN, as amended by the Extraordinary Measure of 12 April 2021, Ref. No. MZDR 14592/2021-4/MIN/KAN, the Extraordinary Measure of 19 April 2021, Ref. No. 14592/2021-5/MIN/KAN, and the Extraordinary Measure of 22 April 2021, Ref. No. MZDR 14592/2021-6/MIN/KAN, is amended in that Art. I reads:

1.

1. A child, pupil or student that is not prohibited from attending in-person schooling under another extraordinary measure or crisis measure, and is a child or pupil of a preschool, primary school, special primary school, lower levels of six-year or eight-year high school, first four years of an eight-year conservatory curriculum, field of education at a one-year practical school or two-year practical school, pupil or student participating in practical schooling or practical training at a secondary school or college, pupil of a school or student of a college that participates in group consultations or examinations at college, final examinations, school-leaving examinations or discharge examinations, will only be allowed to attend the given school in person if

- a) they do not have symptoms of COVID-19, and
- b) they have taken a non-invasive preventive antigen test for the SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen at the frequency stipulated pursuant to Art. III, performed on their own or performed by another person and provided by the school (hereinafter the "preventive antigen test"), and submits the negative result of this test, unless stipulated otherwise in Art. II.

The restriction pursuant to the first sentence does not apply to children in preschool in the Hradec Králové Region, Karlovy Vary Region, Liberec Region, Pardubice Region, Central Bohemian Region, Plzeň Region and in Prague, as well as to individual consultations and individual in-person teaching or other individual activity. The school may only conduct tests using the tests designated for self-testing or permitted for use by non-professionals by the Ministry of Health.

2. If a child, pupil or student with moderate or severe mental disabilities, multiple concurrent disabilities or disorders on the autism spectrum cannot undergo a preventive antigen test pursuant to paragraph 1(b) and proves these facts by means of a confirmation issued by a healthcare service provider, they will be considered

a child, pupil or student whose school or school facility which they attend is closed due to extraordinary measures during the epidemic.”

2. Art. III reads:

„III.

Preventive testing at schools is performed from 12 April 2021. A preventive antigen test is performed with the following frequency:

- a) twice per week in case of pupils in the 2nd level of elementary school, pupils in lower years of six-year and eight-year grammar schools and the first four years of eight-year study programs at a conservatory, whereas the first test is carried on the first day of personal attendance by the child, pupil or student at the school in the given week, and whereas there should be at least 2 and at most 3 workdays between individual test dates,
- b) once per week for 2nd level pupils in classes or schools listed under § 16 par. 9 of the Schools Act,
- c) once per week in all other cases.

The preventive tests are always performed immediately after arriving at school. If the child, pupil or student is not present on the date of testing at school, the test will be performed on the date of their arrival.”

II.

Effective from 3 May 2021, the extraordinary measure of the Ministry of Health of 27 April 2021, Ref. No. MZDR 14592/2021-7/MIN/KAN, is cancelled.

III.

This extraordinary measure takes effect on the date of its issue.



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