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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:

I.

1. Effective from 12:00 a.m. of 1 November 2021, all healthcare service providers that perform examinations to stipulate the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen using RAT antigen tests (hereinafter "antigen testing centers") are ordered:
 - a) to perform examinations to stipulate the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen using RAT antigen tests on the persons specified in Art. III, who participate in the public health insurance system in the Czech Republic (hereinafter the "tested person"), if they request the performance of an antigen test and present their insurance ID card or substitute document, but no more than once every 7 days;
 - b) to indicate a confirmation test to determine the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus using the RT-PCR method on a person that tested positive using a RAT antigen test for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen; in addition, a tested person will be ordered to undergo a confirmation RT-PCR test without delay; the antigen testing center will arrange the completion of an electronic request slip to determine the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus using the RT-PCR method in the Infectious Disease Information System (ISIN) and inform the tested person about the ordering of a confirmation test.
2. Effective from 12:00 a.m. of 1 November 2021, all healthcare service providers that perform examinations to stipulate the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus using RT-PCR tests are ordered to perform examinations to stipulate the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus using RT-PCR tests on the persons specified in Art. III, who participate in the public health insurance system in the Czech Republic, if they request the performance of an antigen test and present their insurance ID card or substitute document, but no more than twice per calendar month.

II.

All providers of social services that provide social services in accordance with Act No. 108/2006 Coll., on Social Services, as amended, if this concerns homes for persons with a physical disability, seniors' homes or homes operating a special regime and providers of social services

providing respite care in a residential manner, are ordered, effective from 12:00 a.m. of 1 November 2021, using an employee who is a healthcare worker, or using a healthcare service provider with which they have concluded a contract on the provision of occupational healthcare services, or other healthcare service provider with which it concludes a contract on the provision of healthcare services for the purpose of performing antigen tests:

- a) to conduct examinations to determine the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen using RAT antigen tests among the persons specified in Art. III that participate in public health insurance in the Czech Republic (hereinafter a “tested person”), if this concerns the employees of these providers or users of social services, and also, if the staffing options of the provider so allow, visitors to the users of social services and employees of the providers of social services, care services or personal assistance, or protected residence or weekly residence services, if the aforementioned persons request the performance of an antigen test and present an insured party’s card or substitute document, but no more than once every 7 days;
- b) to immediately report a positive result of a RAT antigen test for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 antigen in a tested person to the registering provider of healthcare services in the field of general practical medicine, or in the field of paediatric practical medicine, or the regional public health authority or the Public Health Authority for the City of Prague (hereinafter referred to as the “public health authority”) according to local jurisdiction for people who do not have a registering GP; this provider of healthcare services or regional public health authority will decide whether to order a confirmation test to determine the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus using the RT-PCR method for a tested person who tested positive in the RAT antigen test for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen, will inform the tested person that they have been ordered to take a confirmation test and ensure the completion of an electronic request for the determination of the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus using the RT-PCR method in the Infectious Disease Information System (ISIN); this tested person will also be ordered to take a confirmation RT-PCR test without delay.

III.

The persons for whom an examination pursuant to Art. I or II is performed at their request are:

- a) persons under 18 years of age,
- b) persons who cannot be vaccinated against COVID-19 due to contra-indications; they are obliged to demonstrate this fact to the healthcare services or social services provider performing the examination by means of a medical report containing explicit information about the fact that the person cannot be vaccinated against COVID-19 for medical reasons, unless this fact is listed in the Information System of Infectious Diseases (ISIN),
- c) persons with at least one vaccine dose against COVID-19; they are obliged to demonstrate this fact to the healthcare services or social services provider performing the examination.

IV.

Effective from 12:00 a.m. of 1 November 2021, all tested persons pursuant to Art. I and Art. II who tested positive in the RAT antigen test, or their statutory representatives, are ordered, immediately after learning the examination result, to report this fact to their registering healthcare service provider in the field of general medicine, general medicine for children and adolescents or the healthcare provider with which their employer has concluded a contract on the provision of occupational healthcare services. In the event this fact cannot be reported to any of the providers stated in the first sentence, this fact will be reported to the Regional Public Health Authority which holds jurisdiction.

V.

Effective from 12:00 of 1 November 2021, all healthcare and social service providers who perform preventive examinations to determine the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen using RAT antigen tests or to stipulate the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus using the RT-PCR method pursuant to Art. I or Art. II, are ordered to report, electronically and without undue delay, information about every RAT antigen test result or subsequently performed RT-PCR confirmation test pursuant to Art. I(2)(b), and a RT-PRCE test pursuant to Art. I(2) in a tested person pursuant to Art. I, to the Information System of Infectious Diseases (ISIN).

VI.

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.

VII.

Effective from 12:00 a.m. of 1 November 2021, this Extraordinary Measure cancels the Extraordinary Measure of the Ministry of Health of 28 May 2021, Ref. No. MZDR 47828/2020-29/MIN/KAN.

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Minister of Health