Prague, 19 October 2020 Ref. No. MZDR 13719/2020-3/MIN/KAN MZDRX01CDTDC

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 the COVID-19 disease caused by the new SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus:

I.

All healthcare service providers providing aftercare and long-term in-patient care, social service providers providing services in facilities for handicapped persons, seniors' homes and homes with a special regime, and social service providers providing alleviating services in an in-patient form are ordered, **effective from 21 October 2020**, to:

- 1. Set aside premises with bed capacity for separating persons to whom healthcare or social services (hereinafter referred to as "Services") are being provided in their facilities and in whom the COVID-19 disease has been proven, operatively as the need arises, caused by the current epidemiological situation, and to ensure that those premises are clearly labelled;
- 2. Ensure staffing for the operation and provision of services in the area designated pursuant to paragraph 1 and ensure that the employees who come into contact with persons to whom services are being provided in their facility, and in whom the COVID-19 disease has been proven, do not come into contact with other employees and persons living in their facility, provided that the staffing arrangements of the provider concerned allow this;
- 3. Regularly monitor the health status of the persons to whom services are being provided in their facility (in particular, measure their bodily temperature and monitor them for signs of a respiratory illness) and, in the event of a suspicion of the COVID-19 disease, isolate those persons and immediately contact the relevant public health protection authority;
- 4. Set hygienic and epidemiological measures to prevent the spread of the infectious COVID-19 disease in their facilities and update those hygienic and epidemiological measures according to the development of the epidemiological situation and in line with recommendations of the Ministry of

Health, and, as concerns the provision of social services, also the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs.

II.

Effective from 21 October 2020, the extraordinary measure of the Ministry of Health of 27 March 2020, Ref. No. MZDR 13719/2020-1/MIN/KAN, is cancelled.

III.

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

Roman Prymula

Health Minister

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