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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 (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., 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:

I.

Effective from 16 April 2020, all registered providers of healthcare services in the field of general practical medicine and practical paediatric medicine are ordered to terminate the quarantine for those persons who were ordered into quarantine due to contact with a person with the COVID-19 disease, provided the following clinical and laboratory criteria are fulfilled:

- a) fourteen days have passed from the first day of the ordered quarantine,
- b) an absence of clinical symptoms of the COVID-19 disease; the person has no health problems associated with COVID-19, which cannot be explained by another disease (temperature > 37.0 °C, cough, shortness of breath, digestive disorder, runny nose),
- c) the performance of a blood test for the presence of antibodies RAPID test (RT) at the earliest 14 days after the ordered quarantine; the provider is obliged to ensure the performance of the test, and
- d) a negative result for the presence of IgM and IgG antibodies in the RT.

Effective from 16 April 2020, the regional hygienic stations are ordered, as concerns persons who do not have a registered provider in the field of general practical medicine or paediatric medicine,

- a) to terminate their quarantine, provided the criteria pursuant to paragraph I are fulfilled:
- b) to designate a healthcare service provider based on local competence who will terminate the quarantine.

III.

Effective from 16 April 2020, the providers designated under paragraph II(b) are ordered to proceed pursuant to paragraph I.

IV.

Effective from 16 April 2020, all healthcare service providers in the field of general practical medicine and paediatric medicine, who perform the collection of samples and examination of patients for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus using a RAPID test are ordered to record data and the result of the performed test by means of an electronic application, which is available in the technical environment of the National Healthcare Information System and department registries and at the addresses:

- https://eregpublicsecure.ksrzis.cz/Registr/CUD/Overeni/Prihlaseni a
- https://eregpublicsecure.ksrzis.cz/Registr/CUD/Zadanka, supplemented with specific access links to the technical environment of the National Healthcare Information and department registries, sent out by the Czech Institute of Health Information and Statistics to the contact e-mail addresses of healthcare services providers listed in the National Register of Healthcare Service Providers.

V.

Effective from 16 April 2020, all healthcare service providers and regional hygienic stations terminating quarantine are ordered to instruct the person whose quarantine is being terminated about the need to continue monitoring their health condition and observing basic hygienic rules.

VI.

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

Rationale:

This extraordinary measure has been issued in connection with the adverse development of the epidemiological situation in terms of the occurrence of the COVID-19 disease caused by the new coronavirus designated as SARS-CoV-2 in the Czech Republic.

The clinical and laboratory criteria for terminating home quarantine are based on the current limited

knowledge concerning the spectrum of clinical symptoms of the disease, the possibilities of contagion and results of laboratory tests among persons who came into contact with a patient proven to have the COVID-19 disease or who returned from countries with an increased risk of occurrence of this disease.

The rules for terminating home quarantine for persons with a risk of the COVID-19 disease are among the important conditions for protecting society and preventing the spread of COVID-19 disease caused by the novel SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus, particularly by persons who have no symptoms of the disease.

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Signed electronically