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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, proceeding pursuant to Section 69(1)(i) and (2) of Act No. 258/2000 Coll., in protecting the population and preventing the occurrence and spread of the COVID-19 disease caused by the new SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus, this Extraordinary Measure:

I.

All providers of acute in-patient care are ordered as follows:

- Designate beds for the provision of acute in-patient care for patients suffering from the COVID-19 disease, preferentially beds with the option of ventilation equipment and beds with an oxygen therapy option, operatively as the need arises due to the current epidemiological situation;
- 2. Ensure staff, including by transferring employees from other workplaces, and material and technical equipment for ensuring care for patients suffering from the COVID-19 disease in the beds designated pursuant to paragraph 1;
- Set hygienic and epidemiological measures to prevent the spread of the COVID-19
 infectious disease within the medical facility and update those hygienic and
 epidemiological measures in accordance with the current development of the
 epidemiological situation.

II.

This Extraordinary Measure shall take effect 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 novel coronavirus designated as SARS-CoV-2 in the Czech Republic.

Advance designation of bed capacity, staffing, materials, and technical equipment for the needs of ensuring acute bed care is a necessary prerequisite for ensuring preparedness for the ongoing epidemic and the expected need of bed case utilisation.

Laying down appropriate hygienic and epidemiological measures and their regular update based on the development of the epidemiological situation is an important prerequisite for protecting patients and employees of medical facilities to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 disease caused by the novel SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus.

Mgr. et Mgr. Adam Vojtěch, MHA Minister of Health

Signed electronically