REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA

Ministry of Health

Minister of Health

**O R D E R**

No RD-01-129 of 16 March 2020

Pursuant to Article 61(2) of the Health Act and in connection the spread of the COVID-19 disease (a communicable disease caused by the novel coronavirus 2019-nCoV) on a global scale and the pandemic declared by the World Health Organisation,

**I hereby ORDER**

1. The following confirmed cases of COVID-19 shall be subject to home isolation and treatment:
	1. asymptomatic persons (confirmed as contact persons in the course of epidemiological investigations);
	2. persons suffering minor clinical symptoms (body temperature lower than 38ᵒC, cough, indisposition, runny nose, sore throat, gastrointestinal symptoms such as nausea, vomiting and/or diarrhoea) but no changes to mental status (i.e. confusion or fatigue), concomitant chronic disease or immunocompromising conditions, etc.
2. The following **confirmed** cases of COVID-19 shall be subject to mandatory isolation and hospitalisation at medical establishments on the territory of their respective provinces:
	1. elderly persons aged 60 or over regardless of the clinical course of the disease;
	2. persons suffering concomitant disease or immunocompromising conditions regardless of the clinical course of the disease;
	3. persons in whom the course of the disease involves severe symptoms such as shortness of breath and difficulty breathing, sputum discharge and haemoptoe;
	4. persons that cannot undergo isolation and home treatment regardless of the clinical course of the disease.
3. This Order shall be communicated to the Heads of Regional Health Inspectorates, who shall then notify it to all medical establishments on the territory of the relevant regions.
4. This Order shall repeal Order No RD-01-96 of 20 February 2020 of the Minister of Health.

Associate Professor Angel Kunchev, PhD, Chief State Health Inspector, and the portfolio Deputy Ministers of Health shall be tasked with control over the implementation of this Order.

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**KIRIL ANANIEV**

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