Ministerial Orders

M.O., 2021

Order 2021-088 of the Minister of Health and Social Services dated 16 December 2021

Public Health Act (chapter S-2.2)

Ordering of measures to protect the health of the population amid the COVID-19 pandemic situation

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES,

CONSIDERING section 118 of the Public Health Act (chapter S-2.2) which provides that the Government may declare a public health emergency in all or part of the territory of Québec where a serious threat to the health of the population, whether real or imminent, requires the immediate application of certain measures provided for in section 123 of the Act to protect the health of the population;

CONSIDERING Order in Council 177-2020 dated 13 March 2020 declaring a public health emergency throughout Québec for a period of 10 days;

CONSIDERING that that Order in Council provides that the Minister of Health and Social Services may order any other measure needed to ensure that the health and social services network has the necessary human resources;

CONSIDERING that the public health emergency has consistently been renewed since that date by various Orders in Council, including by Order in Council 1540-2021 dated 15 December 2021;

CONSIDERING that Order in Council 2021-081 dated 14 November 2021 provides among other things for certain measures applicable to health and social service providers who are not adequately protected against COVID-19;

CONSIDERING that Order in Council 1540-2021 dated 15 December 2021 empowers the Minister of Health and Social Services to take any of the measures provided for in subparagraphs 1 to 8 of the first paragraph of section 123 of the Public Health Act; CONSIDERING that it is advisable to order certain measures to protect the health of the population;

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

THAT the operative part of Ministerial Order 2021-081 dated 14 November 2021 be amended

(1) by adding the following at the end of the fifth paragraph:

"(9) works exclusively (teleworks) from his or her domicile;";

(2) by replacing "bonuses or lump-sums" in the portion before subparagraph 1 of the fifteenth paragraph by "bonuses, lump sums, allowances or financial compensations";

(3) by inserting the following after the fifteenth paragraph:

"THAT a health and social service provider who is exempted from undergoing COVID-19 screening solely pursuant to subparagraph 9 of the fifth paragraph not be entitled to the bonuses, lump sums, allowances or financial compensations referred to in the preceding paragraph;";

(4) by replacing "15 December 2021" in subparagraphs 1 and 3 of the sixteenth paragraph by "14 January 2022".

Québec, 16 December 2021

CHRISTIAN DUBÉ Minister of Health and Social Services

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