

CORONAVIRUS SITUATION REPORT AS AT 1 April 2020

HEALTH SITUATION UPDATE

- Total confirmed cases in Argentina: 1133
- Total death toll: 34
- Patients admitted to ICU: 72
- Community circulation of the virus.

LATEST MEASURES BY THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT

- SUPERINTENDENCY OF HEALTH SERVICES Resolution 282/2020 Telecare and/or Teleconsultation / Prescription of Medications. It is recommended during the quarantine/lockdown period that the Health Insurance Agents and the Prepaid Medicine Entities should implement and promote the use of telecare and/or teleconsultation platforms, in order to guarantee the rendering of essential care services. In turn, the prescription of medications necessary as a consequence of such care services rendered in the terms of Article 1 shall be subject to Resolution No. 696/2020 of the MINISTRY OF HEALTH.
- SUPERINTENDENCY OF HEALTH SERVICES Resolution 281/2020 Chronic Diseases. It is established that during quarantine/lockdown the Health Insurance Agents registered in the National Registry of Health Insurance Companies (RNOS, for its acronym in Spanish) and the Entities registered in the National Registry of Prepaid Medicine Entities (RNEMP, for its acronym in Spanish), shall adopt the relevant measures to ensure medicine supply for chronic diseases treatment to its beneficiary population, also allowing for deliveries exceeding the usual term periods, so as to avoid concurrence of beneficiaries to the pharmaceutical stores. All those prescriptions for chronic-use medications will be construed as fully extended, for the duration of the preventive and mandatory social isolation period set forth by Decree No. 297/20 and its extensions, if any, and up to THIRTY (30) days subsequent to its completion.
- EXTRA-ZONE IMPORT TARIFF Decree 333/2020 Tax Exemption Products / Equipment. An Extra-zone Import Tariff (*DIE*) of ZERO PERCENT (0%) is set for the goods included in the tariff nomenclature listed in the Annex hereof and they shall be exempted from payment of the statistical fee for import operations on goods reached by this Decree.

MOST-QUOTED SPOKESPERSONS

- Alberto Fernández (President of the Argentine Republic)
- Marcelo Peretta (Biochemists and Pharmacists Union)
- Guillermo González Prieto (President of the Garrahan Hospital Board of Directors)

MOST-ADDRESSED TOPICS IN

MEDIA

- The government confirmed the purchase of 200 thousand rapid tests (Clarín)
- Smoking worsens the coronavirus infection condition (Infobae)
- Lanata interviews Daniel Artana (Radio Mitre)
- Electronic prescription for PAMI affiliates (América TV)
- We should be concerned by the new restrictions (LN)
- New measures are drafted for situation relief in the provinces (Télam)
- Low budget and job casualization. This is how the Malbrán hospital works (Profile)
- They warn about false positives (El Cronista/InfoTechnology)
- Quarantine/Lockdown: the dollar declines but the emission of Argentine pesos increases (Ámbito Financiero)

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