

**MedLife: "We tested all the medical staff in triage, oncology centers and maternities. If we test preventively and comply with protective measures, we can overcome this pandemic. Test, test, test!"**

*Bucharest: 3 April 2020:* In full context of the pandemic, MedLife announces that it has tested all medical staff in triage at national level, medical and administrative personnel who come in contact with oncological patients in our chemotherapy centers in Craiova, Sibiu, Braşov and Bucharest and in the radiotherapy center in Sibiu, as well as all staff in maternities.

Of the more than 800 medical professionals tested at national level, three nurses from Arad maternity were confirmed positive. They were isolated and the maternity activity was temporarily suspended for disinfection, and will be resumed during next week.

"It is essential to preventively test medical staff. By doing so, we can immediately isolate cases with risk, especially those who are asymptomatic, so as to ensure the health of those who are fighting in the first line with this disease. In addition, if we strictly comply with the protection measures: we wear masks, we systematically disinfect the surfaces, we use the appropriate filter systems in reserves, in the operating theatres and birth rooms, we can overcome this pandemic", said Mihai Marcu, President and CEO of MedLife Group.

"We greatly appreciate the efforts of the public health authorities. There is still a need for overall coordination, local or even regional. There are many situations in which the members of the families of medical staff work in different hospitals, the infection of one, can be a danger for the staff and the patients of two hospitals simultaneously. Our experience shows that intensive and preventive testing is effective for early detection of cases of infection by medical personnel and to limit the spread of the disease. There is a need for regular testing to keep patients safe and to have constant reserves of doctors and nurses" said Mihai Marcu.

The company will continue this preventive testing process, and will extend it to the level of pregnant women who are about to give birth in MedLife maternities. "It is very important that future mothers who arrive in our maternities feel safe. That is why, in addition to the medical staff, we intend to test as many pregnant women as possible before hospitalization in order to protect them and equally protect the medical staff" said Mihai Marcu, President and CEO of MedLife Group.

At the same time, after an extensive process of testing and disinfection, MedLife announces that the epidemiological investigation started last week in the case of the patient confirmed positive in Bucharest maternity has been completed. Thus, starting on Monday, April 6, activity will be resumed within this unit.

"It is proof that the measures we have implemented during the care of the patient and the newborn throughout this period have been correct. If we apply the protection procedures and measures, we can limit the disease rate and counteract this pandemic. We welcome the solidarity of the private sector. Before testing in our own laboratory, Sanador and Regina Maria helped us without hesitation and unconditionally in order to speed up the testing. Thank you. If there is solidarity at the level of the whole system, we will overcome any virus", said Mihai Marcu.

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"We are ready to resume activity within Bucharest maternity on Monday, under normal and safe conditions for patients and medical staff. We will test the pregnant women prior to admission and will periodically test medical staff to protect both our patients and colleagues. We will proceed similarly in the case of Genesys Maternity in Arad after we have completed the epidemiological investigation underway. It is necessary at this time to be present in the medical units and to come to the support of patients", said Mihai Marcu.

MedLife representatives also announced that in order to support the testing process and increase the capacity, they will launch the second Real Time PCR laboratory in the next two weeks.

"We are working to put in place the second COVID 19 testing laboratory. Will be located in Sfântu Gheorghe to increase the testing capacity in the center of the country. We hope to have the Department of Public Health support to start testing as soon as possible. We remain at the disposal of the authorities to provide our resources and support the efforts to fight the pandemic", concluded Mihai Marcu.