

Subject: RE: Two questions

Dag 5.1.2e

Vanuit VWS wordt bevestigd dat de EMA vanwege hun vitaal belang een beroep kan doen op dezelfde faciliteiten mbt kinderopvang tijdens deze lockdown als die ook voor de vitale sectoren van toepassing zijn.

Informeer jij de EMA? Laat even weten als dit voor de EMA nog aanvullende vragen oproept.

Mvrgr,

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Van: 5.1.2e)

Verzonden: maandag 21 december 2020 16:34

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Onderwerp: RE: Two questions

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Ik ben sinds kort overgestapt van VWS naar het programmaDG Samenleving en Covid19. Dat betekent ook dat ik deze vraag niet meer vanuit VWS kan beantwoorden, heb de vraag wel binnen VWS uitgezet. Wordt zsm vervolgd!

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Onderwerp: FW: Two questions

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Zie de vervolgvragen hieronder van EMA over hun status van vitale organisatie, naar aanleiding van mijn antwoord afgelopen vrijdag. EMA wil toch graag duidelijkheid. Heeft jouw ministerie uitsluitsel op deze vragen? Ik laat je collega 5.1.2e nu weg uit de cc, nu jij tegenwoordig op dit vlak voor ons eerste aanspreekpunt bent.

Groet,

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Dear 5.1.2e

Thank you for the fast response and I agree that it is indeed reassuring. For my further understanding I need to ask some additional questions.

In regards to classifying the Agency as critical infrastructure it seemed that the Mayor referred to this being decided by the Ministry of Health. Can you please confirm if the Ministry of Health is the relevant ministry that assesses the Agency or if they are responsible due to the fact that the current situation is a critical health crisis?

Does the recognition of EMA as a critical infrastructure relate to the current Covid-19 crisis or will this recognition remain for the future since our activities are always essential even in times when there may be a crisis of another nature such as natural disaster etc?

Is the list of critical infrastructure reviewed on an annual basis or is it prepared as a result of crisis management?

I am sorry for being rather specific but I need to inform colleagues and a better understanding is therefore very useful.

Kind regards

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Subject: RE: Two questions

Dear 5.1.2e

Our team was glad to hear of the positive results this week of EMA's contacts with the municipality of Amsterdam, regarding access during lockdown and access to child care respectively.

As to your questions below, I can let you know that whatever the definition of the duration of critical infrastructure status, we think it will be best to trust that what EMA has agreed on with the municipality, as you summarized below, will work out fine. The policies around covid-19 are in constant development. Should a new situation or anything unexpected arise where EMA needs extra assistance, do contact me for an ad hoc solution. There is no general mail contact at the ministry of Health particularly that I can refer to in advance, but I will in those specific cases be able to find you the right contact.

I hope this will be sufficient information for you to work with.

Do have a good weekend yourself. Best regards,



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Dear 5.1.2e

I am contacting you in regards to the letter that was agreed to be requested by the Municipality of Amsterdam securing access to EMA key staff and key service providers during lock-down by recognising EMA as critical infrastructure and thereby giving access to childcare.

We have received such a letter from the municipality and also a response from Mayor F Halsema sharing her view of the Agency as a vital institution and thereby being part of critical infrastructure. She also stated that EMA is on the list compiled by national government confirming exceptions for employees to access childcare and that if any of our service providers need reassurance in order to continue to provide support to the Agency they can contact the Dutch Ministry of Health to make sure that they can maintain offering their services as much as is needed for business continuity to EMA.

I just have two short question related to this positive communication by Mayor Halsema and hope that you will be able to respond to them or direct me to someone else:

The first one is a clarification regarding EMA as recognised critical infrastructure and thereby being identified on the national government list, to understand if this is permanent or temporary recognition?
The second question refer to if there is a specific contact-point at the Ministry of Health that service providers should turn to if they need to get in contact related to continuity of providing services to EMA or if there is a general mailbox?

I am very grateful if I can hear from you in regards to these two questions and also take this opportunity to wish you a lovely weekend,

Kind regards, Met vriendelijke groet

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