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EMPLOYMENT PROCEDURES DUE TO COVID-19

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OFFICIAL PROCEDURE FOR SENDING CORONAVIRUS SICK LEAVE CERTIFICATES TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES

The Social Security Ministry has issued an official circular referring to the **new procedure for sending Coronavirus sick leave certificates to the public health services**. [CLICK HERE TO CONSULT THE COMPLETE DOCUMENT](#).

From Audiconsultores, we wish to highlight the following:

- ⚡ The **certificates will be processed as an ordinary illness** (we understand that this refers only to processing, since the economic effects, as published in other provisions, are assimilated to those of an occupational accident).
- ⚡ The **medical certificate for isolation will require, prior to its issuance**, confirmation of the suitability of such isolation by the **competent health authority of each Autonomous Region**. It is therefore essential that this information on isolation reaches the doctors who are to issue the sick leave certificate as quickly as possible.
- ⚡ The sick leave and confirmation certificates **may be issued without the physical presence of the worker concerned**, provided that there is an isolation order from the health authority, or verification of the illness by the means available to the Health Service (medical records).
- ⚡ When the period of isolation/contagion or illness becomes known after the start of the period, the **sick leave certificates** will be issued **retroactively**.



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It is expected that in the **coming days, new measures will be adopted in both the employment and socio-economic areas in order to address the pandemic caused by COVID-19. We will keep you informed of the measures taken.**

The professionals that regularly work with your company are at your disposal for any clarification or additional information you may require in relation to this matter. Please contact us by telephone at **934 677 414**.

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