

OPCAT visit

to the Foster Home of the Saint Agatha Child Protection Service in Hódmezővásárhely

13 October 2020

On 13 October 2020, the Commissioner for Fundamental Rights of Hungary, responsible for the tasks of the National Preventive Mechanism (hereinafter: the “NPM”), and his staff members paid a visit to the Foster Home of the Saint Agatha Child Protection Service in Hódmezővásárhely.



The purpose of the visit was to inspect the implementation of the measures taken for the prevention and management of the coronavirus infection (COVID-19). The NPM inspected the living conditions of the children, and he was informed about the changes caused by the protection against the coronavirus infection in respect of the children residing at the institution during the period of the state of danger declared by Government Decree 40/2020 (11 March) and the epidemiological stand-by period. The NPM also inquired into the measures that had been taken for the prevention of the spread of the pandemic.

The visiting group was composed of the following members:

- dr. Ákos Kozma, Commissioner for Fundamental Rights of Hungary
- dr. Dóra Deák-Kondákor, lawyer
- dr. Eszter Gilányi, lawyer, psychologist
- dr. Rita Rostás, psychologist, education expert

The National Preventive Mechanism will prepare a report on the visit.