

OPCAT visit

to a group home unit, located in Zirc, of the Veszprém County Children's Home Center

24 April 2020

On 24 April 2020 the Commissioner for Fundamental Rights, who is responsible for performing the tasks of the OPCAT National Preventive Mechanism (hereinafter referred to as the "NPM") and his colleagues paid a visit to the No. 4 group home unit, located in Zirc, of the No. 3 Children's Home of the Veszprém County Children's Home Center, Elementary School, Vocational School, Skills Development School and Regional Child Protection Service.



The purpose of this visit was to inspect the measures taken to prevent the spread of the coronavirus infection (COVID-19) and to cope with the challenges of the pandemic. The NPM inspected the living conditions of the children, and the equipment provided for their participation in distance education. The NPM also inquired about the possibilities and measures of communication with the guardians and family members during the ban on visiting and leaving the institution imposed due to the pandemic.

The visiting group was composed of the following members:

- dr. Ákos Kozma, the Commissioner for Fundamental Rights
- dr. Rita Rostás, psychologist, educational expert
- dr. Eszter Gilányi, lawyer, psychologist

The NPM will publish a report on this visit.