



New Legislation for Healthcare Providers

Decree-Law no. 127/2014, of 22 August, in its current wording, established the legal regime governing the opening, modification and operation of healthcare establishments, whatever their corporate name, legal nature or owner-operator.

*Article 2(1) of the aforementioned law establishes that the opening and operation of a healthcare establishment depends on verification of the technical and operational requirements applicable to each type of establishment, **defined by an order issued by the member of the Government responsible for the health area.***

In light of the above, a wide range of legislation was published in the Portuguese Official Gazette as of 11 March to regulate different healthcare establishments, such as:

1. ORDINANCE NO. 86/2024/1, OF 11 MARCH.

a. Scope: *Establishes the minimum requirements regarding the licensing, installation, organisation and operation, human resources and technical facilities of nursing centres owned by public legal persons, military institutions, private social solidarity institutions and private entities.*

b. Repeals: *Ordinances no. 801/2010, of 23 August, and 1056-A/2010, of 14 October, are hereby revoked.*

2. ORDER NO. 87/2024/1, OF 11 MARCH.

a. Scope: *Establishes the minimum requirements for the licensing, installation, organisation and operation, human resources and technical facilities of pathology laboratories owned by public legal persons, military institutions, private social solidarity institutions and private entities.*

b. Repeals: *Ordinance no. 165/2014 of 21 August is hereby revoked.*

3. ORDINANCE NO. 88/2024/1, OF 11 MARCH.

a. Scope: *Establishes the minimum requirements for the licensing, installation, organisation and operation, human resources and technical facilities of physical medicine and rehabilitation units, physiotherapy, speech therapy and occupational therapy units owned by public legal persons, military institutions, private social solidarity institutions and private entities.*

b. Repeals: *Ordinance no. 1212/2010 of 30 November is hereby revoked.*

4. ORDINANCE NO. 89/2024/1, OF 11 MARCH.

a. Scope: *Establishes the minimum requirements for the licensing, installation, organisation and operation, human resources and technical facilities of radioncology units owned by public legal persons, military institutions, private social solidarity institutions and private entities.*

b. Repeals: *Ordinance no. 34/2014 of 12 February is hereby revoked.*

5. ORDINANCE NO. 90/2024/1, OF 11 MARCH.

a. Scope: Establishes the minimum requirements for the licensing, installation, organisation and operation, human resources and technical facilities of inpatient units owned by public legal persons, military institutions, private social solidarity institutions and private entities.

b. Repeals: Ordinance no. 290/2012 of 24 September is hereby revoked.

6. ORDINANCE NO. 91/2024/1, OF 11 MARCH.

a. Scope: Establishes the minimum requirements for the licensing, installation, organisation and operation, human resources and technical facilities of genetics laboratories owned by public legal persons, military institutions, private social solidarity institutions and private entities.

b. Repeals: Ordinance no. 167/2014 of 21 August is hereby revoked.

7. ORDINANCE NO. 92/2024/1, OF 11 MARCH.

a. Scope: Establishes the minimum requirements for the licensing, installation, organisation and operation, human resources and technical facilities of clinics and medical practices owned by public legal persons, military institutions and private institutions.

b. Repeals: Ordinances no. 287/2012, of 20 September, and 136-B/2014, of 3 July, are revoked.

8. ORDINANCE NO. 93/2024/1, OF 11 MARCH.

a. Scope: Establishes the minimum requirements for the licensing, installation, organisation and operation, human resources and technical facilities of nuclear medicine units owned by public legal persons, military institutions, private social solidarity institutions and private entities.

b. Repeals: Ordinance no. 33/2014 of 12 February is hereby revoked.

9. ORDER NO. 94/2024/1, OF 11 MARCH.

a. Scope: Establishes the minimum requirements for the licensing, installation, organisation and operation, human resources and technical facilities of dialysis units owned by public legal persons, military institutions, private social solidarity institutions and private entities.

b. Repeals: Ordinance no. 347/2013 of 28 November is hereby revoked.

10. ORDINANCE NO. 97/2024/1, OF 12 MARCH.

a. Scope: Establishes the minimum requirements for licensing, installation, organisation and operation, human resources and technical facilities in ambulatory surgery units owned by public legal persons, military institutions, private social solidarity institutions and private entities.

b. Repeals: Ordinances 291/2012 of 24 September and 111/2014 of 23 May are hereby repealed.

11. ORDINANCE NO. 99/2024/1, OF 13 MARCH.

a. Scope: Establishes the minimum requirements for the licensing, installation, organisation and operation, human resources and technical facilities of dental clinics and practices owned by public legal persons, military institutions, private social solidarity institutions and private entities.

b. Repeals: Ordinances 268/2010 of 12 May and 167-A/2014 of 21 August are hereby revoked.

12. ORDER NO. 100/2024/1, OF 13 MARCH.

a. Scope: Establishes the minimum requirements for the licensing, installation, organisation and operation, human resources and technical facilities of radiology units owned by public legal persons, military institutions, private social solidarity institutions and private entities.

b. Repeals: Ordinance no. 35/2014 of 12 February is hereby revoked.

If you have any doubts or questions on this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the Health Law team at pbb - Sociedade de Advogados, SP, RL.

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