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### KRUS

#### Farmers' safety and health in KRUS activities

On May 12 this year, at the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, a press conference was held by the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development Grzegorz Puda and the President of the Agricultural Social Insurance Fund (Fund) Aleksandra Hadzik on KRUS activities for the health and safety of farmers.

*Entrepreneurs and The work of a farmer, the work of people on the land, is difficult and involves many sacrifices. It is often carried out 24 hours a day, seven days a week. It requires support at many levels and one of the areas in which we try to support farmers is support for agricultural social insurance, and the institution thanks to which this support can be successfully implemented is the Agricultural Social Insurance Fund. KRUS has been continuously serving Polish farmers for 30 years - it is thanks to this institution that old age pensions, disability pensions, accident, maternity, sickness benefits, but also the possibility of medical rehabilitation have finally become available to farmers - said Minister Puda at the beginning of the conference, emphasising the role played by the Agricultural Social Insurance Fund in the social security system in Poland.*

During the conference, the President of KRUS presented new solutions in the field of e-services for farmers and medical rehabilitation after COVID-19 disease. Among these proposals were:

1. eKRUS portal - a cost-free solution for those insured in the Fund, providing access to, among others, personalised data on the course of insurance, information on upcoming payment dates and the amount of contributions. From the eKRUS account, the farmer can also download an electronic certificate of being insured at KRUS. At the turn of the second and third quarter of this year, farmers who have an account in eKRUS will be able to generate an e-certificate about not being in arrears with contributions bearing a qualified electronic seal, which will enable

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- them, without the need to visit KRUS, to download the certificate which can then be submitted e.g. to a bank;
2. e-reporting of an accident at agricultural work - a new KRUS solution on the ePUAP platform, enabling farmers to report an accident at agricultural work without visiting the Fund's local offices;
  3. automation of obtaining a copy of a civil status certificate - an interface to the register of civil status offices, thanks to which KRUS will be able to obtain electronic birth, marriage and death certificates while processing farmers' applications. This will relieve farmers from the obligation to deliver original documents in person to KRUS offices, e.g. when applying for funeral benefits;
  4. medical rehabilitation of farmers after COVID-19 disease - a new profile of rehabilitation. Rehabilitation will be carried out on a stationary basis in the KRUS rehabilitation centres, on 21-day stays, from the end of May this year.

The new rehabilitation profile of KRUS is a response to the current health needs of farmers, which is why the Fund has decided to launch rehabilitation as soon as possible for those who suffer from post-covid health problems. I hope that rehabilitation in KRUS Farmers' Rehabilitation Centers will help farmers to regain their form and full professional activity - added President Hadzik.

Link to the conference recording on the YouTube channel of the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TtIPInAIRIQ>

[Prezentacja - Bezpieczeństwo i zdrowie rolników w działaniach KRUS](#)

More information on KRUS website:

<https://www.krus.gov.pl/aktualnosci/dokument/arttykul/bezpieczenstwo-i-zdrowie-rolnikow-w-dzialaniach-krus/>

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