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**PRESS RELEASE**

**PSYCHO-SOCIAL & PSYCHIATRIC SUPPORT FOR COVID-19 PATIENTS IN SANTORINI AND IOS**

The **Municipality of Thira island,** the **Municipality of Ios island** and **KLIMAKA,** within the context of the operation ofMobile Mental Health Unit of South East Cyclades and the program of psychosocial support for Covid-19 patients, are announcing the provision of psychiatric services and psychosocial support services to people who are restricted due to the pandemic of Covid-19 or because they are diseased or because they have contacted someone who was a confirmed case of Covid-19 and are located on the islands of Santorini and Ios.

The pandemic of Covid-19, consists of a situation of emergency in public health, which causes a global concern and a challenge for many sectors of society. Among other things, the field of mental health is affected as there are strong fluctuations in the mood and the endurance of people, especially those who need to quarantine. The changes in daily life, the social isolation, the post traumatic stress (PTSD) and the inadequate management of all the above are factors that make people vulnerable due to the Covid-19 pandemic, which demands care and protection for their mental health.

The islands of Cyclades could not be an exception to all of this demanding situation we are experiencing. In the context of the promotion of mental health and the reinforcement of the mental resilience, **KLIMAKA continues to provide psychosocial and psychiatric support to people who are in need due to the pandemic of Covid-19 disease on the islands of Santorini and Ios, through the Telepsychiatry system.**

**For more information and access to digital daily group meetings, contact the hotel or rental rooms you are staying in.**