



Press Release

Current situation in Invima's technological contingency

Bogotá D.C., November 22, 2022. The National Institute of Food and Drug Monitoring - Invima is pleased to inform about relevant issues of interest to the public, related to the current situation regarding the technological contingency.

To begin with, it is important to inform that the Institute's web page has not been hijacked, no one has possession of the platform, nor is the information that rests in the entity in the hands of persons external to it.

To refer to what has happened in the framework of this cyberattack, the situation occurred when cybercriminals managed to encrypt some files; despite this, the affected files continue to be stored in the entity in encrypted form, but there is no evidence of theft or leakage of information, as mentioned above.

On the other hand, for the safety of users and public health in the country, Invima has backups of all digital information handled by the entity, so the Institute has the mechanisms to restore what is encrypted, without putting the information at risk.

Finally, regarding the reestablishment of the technological and telecommunications platform, the entity has been carrying out a series of actions to strengthen the IT security schemes and thus make it available to the public as soon as possible; it should be noted that this is the reason why the web page and other information systems are still in the process of being reestablished with partial operation.

It is important to point out that neither the institute, nor any other entity, is in any kind of negotiation with those who carried out the cyber-attack to the Institute.



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