



Republic of the Philippines
Professional Regulation Commission
Manila



PROFESSIONAL REGULATION COMMISSION
RESOLUTION NO. 1430
Series of 2021

**RESCHEDULING THE CANCELLED/POSTPONED SEPTEMBER 2021 PHYSICIANS
LICENSURE EXAMINATION IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION AND TUGUEGARAO TO
OCTOBER 30, 31, NOVEMBER 1 & 2, 2021**

WHEREAS, Section 7 (d) of Republic Act No. 8981 or the “PRC Modernization Act of 2000” empowers the Professional Regulation Commission (Commission) to administer and conduct the licensure examinations of the various regulatory boards in accordance with the rules and regulations it may promulgate and to determine and fix the places and dates of examinations;

WHEREAS, the Commission issued Resolution No. 1283 (s. 2020) scheduling the Physicians Licensure Examination (PLE) on September 11, 12, 18 & 19, 2021 in the National Capital Region (NCR), Tuguegarao, and other designated testing locations;

WHEREAS, due to the reversion to Modified Enhanced Community Quarantine status in the NCR, the Commission appealed to the Regional Inter-Agency Task Force for Emerging Infectious Diseases (RTF-NCR) for the conduct of the September 2021 PLE in the NCR;

WHEREAS, upon recommendation by the Department of Health (DOH) to postpone large capacity board examinations held in closed or crowded settings and promoting close contact situations for areas with increasing cases and high-risk health care utilization, the RTF-NCR denied the Commission’s appeal through its Resolution No. 9 dated September 9, 2021, and thus, the Commission issued Resolution No. 1421 (s. 2021) canceling the September 2021 PLE in the NCR;

WHEREAS, the Commission subsequently issued Resolution No. 1423 (s. 2021) postponing the September 2021 PLE in Tuguegarao due to the onslaught of Typhon “Kiko” in the province of Cagayan;

WHEREAS, some of the affected examinees in the NCR and Tuguegarao are appealing to reschedule the postponed September 2021 PLE within this year;

WHEREAS, in response to the appeal, the Professional Regulatory Board of Medicine sought the recommendation of the Licensure Office if it is possible to accommodate the said request for the last quarter of 2021 and the latter confirmed the availability of schedule, which is on October 30, 31, November 1 & 2, 2021;

WHEREAS, on September 28, 2021, the Commission requested the Inter-Agency Task Force for Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) for an authority to conduct a special PLE in the NCR and Tuguegarao;

WHEREAS, pending the favorable action of the IATF-EID, the Commission deemed it necessary to approve the identified new schedule to give sufficient time for the examinees and concerned offices to conduct preparatory or pre-licensure examination activities;

WHEREFORE, premises considered, the Commission **RESOLVES**, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, to reschedule the cancelled/postponed September 2021 Physicians Licensure Examination in the **National Capital Region and Tuguegarao to October 30, 31, November 1 & 2, 2021** subject to the favorable endorsement of the DOH and favorable directives of the IATF-EID and local government units concerned;

Let a copy of this Resolution be posted at the PRC Official website for information.

Done in the City of Manila this 30th day of September 2021.


TEOFILO S. PILANDO, JR.
Chairman


YOLANDA D. REYES
Commissioner


JOSE Y. CUETO, JR.
Commissioner