PROFESSIONAL REGULATORY BOARD OF DENTISTRY
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AMENDMENT TO PROFESSIONAL REGULATORY BOARD OF DENTISTRY
RESOLUTION NO. 10 (S. 2018) ON THE "OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES ON THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10912, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS
'CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2016' FOR DENTISTS,
DENTAL TECHNOLOGISTS AND DENTAL HYGIENISTS"

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Republic Act (R.A.) No. 10968 or the Philippine Qualifications
Framework (PQF) Act states that it is the policy of the State to institutionalize the PQF to
encourage lifelong learning of individuals and provide employee specific training
standards and qualifications aligned with industry standards;

WHEREAS, Section 4 (d), Article II of R.A. No. 10912 or the "Continuing Professional
Development Act of 2016" states that the Continuing Professional Development (CPD)
Programs in each of the regulated professions shall be formulated and implemented to
ensure maintenance of core competencies and development of advanced and new
competencies, in order to respond to national, regional and international labor market
needs;

WHEREAS, Section 6, Article II of R.A. No. 9484 or "The Philippine Dental Act of 2007"
provides that the Professional Regulatory Board of Dentistry (Board) shall have the power
and function to promulgate, administer and enforce rules and regulations necessary for
carrying out the provisions of said Act; and to adopt or recommend such measures or
discharge such duties, as may be deemed proper for the advancement of the profession
and the vigorous enforcement of the same Act;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 6 (d) of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of R.A.
No. 9484, the Board, in the discharge of their duties and in the advancement of their
profession, performs the following:

1. Inspects private, industrial, hospital, school, and government dental clinics,
2. Checks dental laboratories,
3. Checks dental suppliers, and
4. Regulates the preceptorship program of all the specialties in dentistry.

WHEREAS, the Board issued Resolution No. 10 (s. 2018) or the "Operational Guidelines
on the Implementation of Republic Act No. 10912, otherwise known as 'Continuing
Professional Development Act of 2016' for Dentists, Dental Technologists and Dental
Hygienists";

WHEREAS, Section 2 of the said Resolution provides:

Section 2. Candidates for CPD Provider - The following are eligible to apply as
CPD provider for the Dentistry profession:

a. Accredited Professional Organization (APO) for Dentists, Dental
Hygienists and Dental Technologists and its Affiliates;
b. Societies and/or Organizations of Dental Specialists accredited by
the Commission and the Board;
WHEREAS, there is a need to provide additional avenues to develop and nurture competent, productive, morally upright and well-rounded dentists, dental hygienists and dental technologists;

WHEREAS, the National Association of Dental Suppliers and National Association of Dental Laboratories conduct conventions, seminars and conferences attended by registered and licensed dentists, dental hygienists and dental technologists. The main purpose of which is to provide the latest principles, techniques, and innovations in the field of dentistry;

WHEREAS, most dental schools, colleges and universities offering the Doctor of Dental Medicine (D.M.D.) Program are not equipped with modern digital equipment for teaching purposes due to lack of budget;

WHEREAS, there is a need to bridge the gap between the undergraduate dental curriculum and the current digital practice of dentistry so as to be aligned with the Fourth (4th) Industrial Revolution;

WHEREAS, there are ethical principles that need to be enforced in the conduct of CPD programs, particularly on the giving of direct testimonials or product endorsements as provided under the Code of Ethics for Dentists, Dental Hygienists, and Dental Technologists, to quote:

Section 18. Testimonials – The dentist, the dental hygienist, or dental technologist shall consider the dignity of the dental profession before providing professional opinion or endorsement of professional and/or proprietary products and techniques. A dentist, dental hygienist, or dental technologist or any association of dentists shall not give direct testimonials or endorsement of products for the delivery of dental care.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board RESOLVES, as it is hereby RESOLVED, to amend Section 2 of Board Resolution No. 10 (s. 2018) to include the National Association of Dental Suppliers and National Association of Dental Laboratories as candidates (or eligible to apply) for accreditation as CPD Provider. The provision shall now be read as follows:

Section 2. Candidates for CPD Provider- The following are eligible to apply as CPD provider for the Dentistry profession:

a. Accredited Professional Organization (APO) for Dentists, Dental Hygienists and Dental Technologists and its Affiliates;
b. Societies and/or Organizations of Dental Specialists accredited by the Commission and the Board;
c. Colleges/Universities duly recognized by the Commission on Higher Education (CHED);
d. Hospitals, facilities recognized by the Department of Health (DOH);
e. Dental training institutions recognized by the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) for dental hygiene and dental technology;
f. National Association of Dental Suppliers and National Association of Dental Laboratories;
g. International Organizations / Schools / Colleges / Universities / Hospitals recognized by their respective Professional Regulatory Authority and/or Ministry of Health and/or Ministry of Education and/or Ministry of Labor.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board, upon the recommendation of the CPD Council for Dentists, shall issue a separate guideline that will govern the processing of applications for accreditation of the national associations of dental suppliers and dental laboratories to ensure strict adherence to the Code of Ethics and such other applicable regulatory policies and regulations.

This Resolution shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following its publication in the Official Gazette or in any newspaper of general circulation.

Let a copy hereof be furnished to the U.P. Law Center and the CPD Council for Dentists, Dental Technicians and Dental Hygienists for information and guidance.

Done in the City of Manila this 21st day of July 2023.

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