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Professional Regulatory Board of Radiologic Technology
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ADOPTION AND PROMULGATION OF THE REVISED CODE OF PROFESSIONAL ETHICS FOR RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS AND X-RAY TECHNOLOGISTS

WHEREAS, Section 9 (f) of Republic Act No. 7431, otherwise known as the Radiologic Technology Act of 1992, mandates the Professional Regulatory Board of Radiologic Technology (Board) to look into the conditions affecting the practice of radiologic technology and x-ray technology in the Philippines, and to adopt such measures, as may be deemed necessary, for the maintenance of the standards and ethics of the professions;

WHEREAS, the existing Code of Professional Ethics for the Radiologic Technologists and Xray Technologists was promulgated in 1993;

WHEREAS, there are technological developments and advancements, especially in the field of health care, that necessitated the review and updating of the 1993 Code of Professional Ethics for Radiologic Technologists and Xray Technologists;

WHEREAS, the moral and ethical standards to which every radiologic technologist and xray technologist should adhere to, shall take into account the present conditions affecting the practice of radiologic technologists and x-ray technologists, locally and internationally;

WHEREAS, in developing this Revised Code of Professional Ethics for Radiologic Technologists and X-ray Technologists, necessary consultations have been undertaken by the Board with the Philippine Association of Radiologic Technologists, Inc., Philippine Federation of Professional Radiologic Technologists, Association of Deans of Schools of Radiologic Technology, Department of Health and selected chief radiologic technologists of hospitals in the Philippines;

NOW THEREFORE, the Board RESOLVES as it is hereby RESOLVED, to adopt and promulgate, with the approval of the Commission, the Revised Code of Professional Ethics for Radiologic Technologists and X-ray Technologists, marked as Annex A of this Resolution.

This Resolution and Annex A, entitled, “Revised Code of Professional Ethics for Radiologic Technologists and X-ray Technologists” shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following its full and complete publication in the Official Gazette or in any newspaper of general circulation in the Philippines.

Let a copy of this Resolution and its annex be disseminated to the U. P. Law Center, Philippine Association of Radiologic Technologists, Inc., Philippine Federation of Professional Radiologic Technologists, Association of Deans of Schools of Radiologic Technology and other concerned associations for their information and guidance.

Done in the City of Manila this 13th of June, 2014.

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REVISED CODE OF PROFESSIONAL ETHICS FOR RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS AND X-RAY TECHNOLOGISTS

Article I. Responsibility to the Public

Section 1. Radiologic Technologists and X-ray Technologists shall acknowledge the supreme authority of the Philippine Government and shall adhere to the Philippine Constitution, Republic Act No. 8981, otherwise known as the PRC Modernization Act of 2000, Republic Act No. 7431, or the Radiologic Technology Act of 1992, other pertinent laws as well as the implementing rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to such laws.

Section 2. They shall promote public interest and welfare at all times.

Section 3. They shall observe the highest standards of competence and ethics in the practice of the profession.

Section 4. They shall be involved in civic affairs by participating in the activities of relevant organizations to enhance their well-being and that of their community.

Section 5. They shall commit to serve their fellow men, with justice, good faith and respect for human rights.

Article II. Responsibility to Patients

Section 1. Radiologic Technologists and X-ray Technologists shall provide patient care in accordance with the accepted professional and ethical standards.

Section 2. They shall respect the dignity, privacy and right to self-determination of the patients.

Section 3. They shall provide patient care, without discrimination, by reason of age, race, creed, sex, socio-economic status, religious or political belief or nature of disease/illness.

Section 4. They shall possess such degree of technical knowledge and skills, reflective of their competence in the field.

Section 5. They shall advocate the best interests and safety of the patients as well as of the entire health care team by ensuring that the radiation exposure is kept at a minimal.
Section 6. They shall uphold the principle of informed consent.

Section 7. They shall hold in confidence all information obtained in the course of their professional practice and shall only disclose such information in accordance with the law and principles of medical ethics.

Section 8. They shall only provide services for which they are qualified by virtue of their education, training and experience.

Article III. Responsibility to Colleagues, Allied Health Professionals and Health Institutions

Section 1. Radiologic Technologists and X-ray Technologists shall take diligent care of the radiologic equipment/modalities that are assigned to them and shall make use of them appropriately and effectively according to the accepted standards of practice.

Section 2. They shall show respect and support to their colleagues and other members of the healthcare team.

Section 3. They shall apply sound judgment in the exercise of their profession and assume responsibility for their own decision/s.

Section 4. They shall assist the radiologist and referring physician in the administration of radiologic procedures for the diagnostic and therapeutic management of patients.

Section 5. They shall recognize that interpretation and diagnosis of radiologic procedures are beyond the scope of their professional practice.

Section 6. They shall NOT, directly or indirectly, assist, tolerate, aid or abet any unauthorized practice of the profession.

Section 7. They shall report to the Professional Regulatory Board of Radiologic Technology or other appropriate authorities, any violation of Republic Act No. 8981, Republic Act No. 7431, their implementing rules and regulations, and this Code of Professional Ethics.

Section 8. They shall keep their reputation above reproach and shall maintain proper decorum in all their actuations to gain public esteem and respect for the profession.

Section 9. They shall NOT debase or demean the reputation, competence, and capability of a colleague to aggrandize themselves.
Article IV. Responsibility to Self

Section 1. Radiologic Technologists and X-ray Technologists shall endeavor to undertake activities that will foster their professional development, which shall include pursuing Continuing Professional Education and Development (CPE/CPD), to upgrade the standard of their practice as radiologic technologists and x-ray technologists.

Section 2. They shall take active part in relevant activities organized by professional organizations/societies.

Section 3. They shall share acquired knowledge and skills on the latest practices and procedures related to radiologic technology or x-ray technology to their colleagues and other health professionals.

Section 4. They shall not render professional service under the influence of alcohol, drugs, other similar substance or under any condition that might compromise the effective delivery of health care service to the patient.

Section 5. They shall avoid conflict of interest or any action that might discredit the profession.

Section 6. They shall be entitled to a just and fair compensation for services rendered.

Section 7. They shall not allow their names or Certificates of Registration to be advertised or used by any person or organization, unless with their written consent.