



Republic of the Philippines
Professional Regulation Commission
Manila



RESOLUTION NO. 1341
Series of 2021

**POSTPONING THE APRIL 2021 PHARMACY LICENSURE EXAMINATION
IN NCR, BAGUIO, DAVAO, TACLOBAN, AND TUGUEGARAO
AND RESCHEDULING THEREOF TO JUNE 29 & 30, 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; to determine and fix the places and dates of examinations;

WHEREAS, the Commission issued Resolution No. 1283 (s. 2020) scheduling the licensure examinations for calendar year 2021 wherein the Pharmacists Licensure Examinations (PhLE) is scheduled on April 25 & 26, 2021 to be held in **National Capital Region (NCR), Baguio, Cagayan de Oro, Cebu, Davao, Iloilo, Legaspi, Lucena, Pagadian, Rosales, Tacloban, Tuguegarao and Zamboanga**;

WHEREAS, the Inter Agency Task Force for Emerging Infectious Disease (IATF-EID), through its Resolution No. 105 dated March 25, 2021 approved the request of the Commission to conduct and administer the licensure examinations for professionals scheduled for May and June 2021, with observance of the strict health protocols as approved by the Department of Health. Agencies are directed to render full assistance for the safe and successful conduct of the examinations. To prevent transmission of Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) to low-risk areas, examinees from areas under General Community Quarantine (GCQ) are strongly discouraged from travelling to areas under Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ);

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2021, the Office of the President announced the new quarantine classifications for the different areas of the country due to the current surge of COVID-19 cases;

WHEREAS, the IATF-EID in its letter dated March 30, 2021, directed the Commission to postpone the scheduled licensure examination for the month April 2021 in those areas under the quarantine classification of GCQ to avoid cross border transfer of examinees;

WHEREAS, the testing centers for the April 2021 PhLE affected by the foregoing issuances are NCR, Baguio, Davao, Tacloban, and Tuguegarao;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the directive of the IATF-EID, the Professional Regulatory Board of Pharmacy (Board) recommends to postpone the examination in these affected areas and to reschedule it at a later date;

WHEREFORE, premises considered, the Commission **RESOLVED**, as it hereby **RESOLVES**, to **POSTPONE** the **April 25 & 26, 2021 Pharmacy Licensure Examination in NCR, Baguio, Davao, Tacloban and Tuguegarao** and to **RESCHEDULE** the same on **June 29 & 30, 2021**.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the conduct thereof in **areas under MGCQ such as Cagayan De Oro, Cebu, Iloilo, Legaspi, Lucena, Pagadian, Rosales and Zamboanga** shall be **HELD AS SCHEDULED on April 25 & 26, 2021**.

RESOLVED FINALLY, that only the examinees assigned to these MGCQ locations shall be permitted to take the examination and any requests for transfer of examination venues are hereby disallowed.

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

Done in the City of Manila this 31st day of March 2021.


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