



Republic of the Philippines
Professional Regulation Commission
Manila



RESOLUTION NO. 1353
Series of 2021

**RESCHEDULING THE MAY 2021 NURSES LICENSURE EXAMINATION (NLE)
TO JULY 3 & 4, 2021
AND
RETAINING THE NOVEMBER 21 & 22, 2021 SCHEDULE FOR
THE SECOND BATCH OF NLE**

WHEREAS, Section 7 (d) of Republic Act (RA) 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 Nurses Licensure Examinations (NLE) were scheduled on May 30 & 31, 2021 and November 20 & 21, 2021;

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 1350 (s. 2021) was issued postponing the May 2021 NLE and rescheduling thereof to November 21 & 22, 2021;

WHEREAS, in the same Resolution, the previously scheduled November 20 & 21, 2021 NLE under Resolution No. 1283 (s. 2020) was moved to November 21 & 22, 2021 in consonance with Section 7 (d) of RA No. 8981 that *"if only one (1) examination is given in a year, this shall be held only on weekdays"*;

WHEREAS, there is a clamor to reconsider the possibility of conducting the NLE at earlier dates due to the urgent call of the government to augment the workforce of the medical professions, especially the Registered Nurses, on the country's battle against COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, considering the logistical and administrative challenges in administering large scale examinations like the NLE especially during the COVID-19 pandemic, including the availability of resources to ensure safe and credible licensure examinations, the Department of Health and Inter-Agency Task Force on Emerging Infectious Diseases conveyed willingness to provide assistance thereto; **WHEREAS**, on April 26, 2021, the Commission, the Professional Regulatory Boards, PRC Officers and the PRC Regional Directors had a meeting on the said matter and agreed to reschedule it to July 2021;

WHEREAS, in scheduling the licensure examinations, the provision of RA No. 8981 shall be considered when there are two (2) or more examinations given in a year, at least one (1) examination shall be held on weekdays;¹

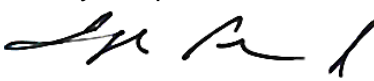
WHEREFORE, in view of the foregoing, the Commission **RESOLVES**, as it hereby **RESOLVED** to **RESCHEDULE** the scheduled May 2021 Nurses Licensure Examination from NOVEMBER 21 & 22, 2021 to **JULY 3 & 4, 2021** (*Saturday and Sunday*);

RESOLVED FINALLY, that since the NLE will be conducted twice for this year, the scheduled **NOVEMBER 21 & 22, 2021** (*Sunday and Monday*) for the NLE second batch under Resolution No. 1350 (s. 2021) shall be **RETAINED**.

This Resolution amends Resolution No. 1350 dated April 22, 2021.

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 April 2021.


TEOFILO S. PILANDO, JR.
Chairman


YOLANDA D. REYES
Commissioner


JOSE Y. CUETO, JR.
Commissioner

¹ Section 7 (d) of RA No. 8981