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Professional Regulation Commission
Manila

Professional Regulatory Board of Dentistry
Resolution No. 07
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IMPLEMENTING RULES ON THE ACCREDITATION OF DENTAL SPECIALTY SOCIETIES AND SUB-SPECIALTY SOCIETIES PROVIDING STRUCTURED TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR DENTAL PROFESSIONALS

WHEREAS, the Professional Regulatory Board of Dentistry (Board) has the power to accredit various specialties, dental societies/organizations under Section 6(I), Article II of Republic Act (R.A.) No. 9484, known as "The Philippine Dental Act of 2007", and Section 6(d)(4), Rule II of Board Resolution No. 12 (s. 2007) or the "Rules and Regulations of R.A. 9484 known as the 'Philippine Dental Act of 2007'";

WHEREAS, the Board has issued Resolution No. 17 (s. 2008) or the "Guidelines on the Accreditation of Dental Specialty Societies/Organizations of Dental Specialists" and has accredited Dental Specialty Societies;

WHEREAS, Section 5, Rule II of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of R.A. No 10968 or the "Philippine Qualifications Framework (PQF) Act" states that one of the objectives of the PQF is to align domestic qualification standards with the international qualifications framework, thereby, enhancing recognition of the value and comparability of Philippine qualifications and supporting the mobility of Filipino students, workers and professionals;

WHEREAS, the Commission issued Resolution No. 1262 (s. 2020), as amended, instituting the Creation of the Career Progression and Specialization Program and Credit Accumulation and Transfer System (CPSP-CATS) Committee for each of the regulated professions;

WHEREAS, in order to ensure the development of quality assured mechanisms for the validation, accreditation and recognition of formal, non-formal and informal learning outcomes, including professional work experiences and prior learning of professionals, specialty society and other specialty categories need to be recognized and be accredited by the concerned Board and the Commission as part of the formulation and implementation of the CPSP-CATS;

WHEREAS, the Commission issued Resolution No. 1591 (s. 2022) providing for the "Guidelines on the Accreditation of Specialty Society/Organization and other Specialty Categories Providing Structured Training Programs for Professionals". Section 20 of said Resolution authorizes the Boards to formulate their own Implementing Rules through a Resolution to be approved by the Commission for the proper implementation of the CPSP-CATS guidelines, and which may include additional qualifications and documentary requirements for accreditation.

WHEREFORE, the Board, pursuant to its authority under Commission Resolution No. 1591 (s. 2022), hereby **RESOLVES** to issue the "**Implementing Rules on the Accreditation of Dental Specialty Society and Sub-specialty Societies Providing Structured Training Programs for Dental Professionals**", amending for the purpose Board Resolution No. 17 (s. 2008), as follows:

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**RULE I
General Provisions**

Section 1. Definition of Terms. – As used in this Guidelines, the term “**Dental Specialty Board**” shall refer to an attached body of the Dental Specialty-Society or Sub-specialty Society composed of dental specialists in the specialized/sub-specialized field who conduct the assessment for trainees and graduates of a specialized/sub-specialized program.

Section 2. Accreditation of Specialty Society/Organization and other Specialty Categories. – With the alignment of the PRC's CPSP-CATS with the PQF Act, all previously accredited Dental Specialty Societies are required to re-apply for accreditation following the new guidelines and rules. The Board shall accredit specialty society or sub-specialty society per identified professional qualification title for their profession. There shall only be one (1) accredited dental specialty society or sub-specialty society per professional qualification title. Thus, before the accreditation of specialty society or other sub-specialty society be made, a Professional Qualification Title must first be identified and its implementation be established through Board Resolutions issued for these purposes.

In case, there are two or more specialty societies/organizations or other specialty categories offering the same specialization in one profession, the Board, through the Profession's CPSP-CATS Committee, will facilitate a coalition of the said groups, as necessary.

**RULE II
Qualifications of Specialty Society/Organization
and other Specialty Categories**

Accreditation may be conferred to a dental specialty society or sub-specialty society, subject to compliance with all the conditions herein set.

At the time of filing of application for accreditation, a Dental Specialty Society or Sub-specialty Society applying to offer or provide structured training program/s MUST:

- a) have a President who is a Certified Specialist (recognized specialist of the specialty society);
- b) be composed of members of the Accredited Integrated Professional Organization of dentists, dental hygienists and dental technologists in the Philippines;
- c) be capable of strictly adhering to ALL the identified Professional Practice Outcomes in the Level Alignment Matrix of the issued PRBOD Resolution;
- d) follow ALL the processes indicated in the issued PRBOD Resolution Guidelines on the Implementation of the CPSP of the concerned Professional Qualification Title; and
- e) be recognized by a reputable international dental organization/s

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RULE III

Documentary Requirements and Procedure for Accreditation

Section 3. Documentary Requirements for Accreditation. – To be accredited as Dental Specialty Society or Sub-specialty Society, the applicant shall submit the following documentary requirements:

- a) Application form for accreditation (Annex A);
- b) Authenticated copy of the Certificate of Registration from the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC);
- c) Authenticated copy of the Articles of Incorporation and By-laws;
- d) Authenticated copy of the Certificate of Registration from the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR);
- e) For existing Dental Specialty Society or Sub-Specialty Society, certified list of training institutions, if applicable, and training programs with assessment mechanisms compliant and aligned with the issued PRBOD Resolutions on the Guidelines on the Creation and Implementation of the CPSP of the concerned Professional Qualification Title;
- f) Certified list of the composition of the Specialty Executive Boards with their valid Professional Identification Cards (PIC) for local professionals;
- g) Certified list of previously recognized specialists;
- h) The credentials of at least nine (9) of either of its officers or members pertain to the specialty training beyond undergraduate level which could be any of the following:
 - 1) At least ten (10) years teaching experience in the specialty field with a minimum load of ten (10) hours a week AND must have a local/international advanced education and training of the specialty field for at least one (1) year full-time;
 - 2) An international advanced education and training of the specialty field for at least two (2) years full-time
 - 3) Previously issued Certificate of Recognition as Specialist by the Specialty Society
- i) Such other documentary requirements as the Board may reasonably require.

Section 4. Documentary Requirements for Renewal of Accreditation. – In order to renew the accreditation, the following documentary requirements shall be submitted:


- a) Application form for renewal of accreditation;
- b) Certified list of accredited training institutions and training programs conducted with assessment mechanisms compliant and aligned with the issued PRBOD Resolutions on the Guidelines on the Creation and Implementation of the CPSP of the concerned Professional Qualification Title;
- c) Certified list of trainees and their corresponding status;
- d) Certified list of passers or qualified individuals endorsed to the Profession's CPSP-CATS Committee for validation of qualifications;
- e) Certified list of the composition of the Specialty Executive Board with their valid PICs for local professionals if there are changes in the composition;
- f) Certified list of previously recognized specialists; and
- g) Such other requirements that the Board may reasonably require.


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


Let a copy of this Resolution be furnished the U.P. Law Center, the Philippine Association of Dental Colleges, Inc., the Accredited Integrated Professional Organization for the Dentistry profession, and the Commission on Higher Education for dissemination to all schools, colleges and universities offering the course of dentistry.


Done in the City of Manila this 5th day of April 2023.


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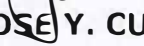

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