



PROFESSIONAL REGULATORY BOARD OF MEDICINE

Resolution No. 05
Series of 2026

**ADJUSTMENTS IN THE ORDER OF SUBJECTS TO BE ADMINISTERED
STARTING THE MARCH 2026 PHYSICIANS LICENSURE EXAMINATION**

WHEREAS, Section 8, Article III of Republic Act (R.A.) No. 2382, or the “Medical Act of 1959”, as amended, provides that *no person shall engage in the practice of medicine in the Philippines unless he is at least twenty-one years of age, has satisfactorily passed the corresponding Board Examination, and is a holder of a valid Certificate of Registration duly issued to him by the Board of Medical Examiners;*

WHEREAS, Section 21, Article III of the same law provides that the Physicians Licensure Examination (PLE) shall cover the following subjects: Anatomy and Histology; Physiology; Biochemistry; Microbiology and Parasitology; Pharmacology and Therapeutics; Pathology; Medicine; Obstetrics and Gynecology; Pediatrics and Nutrition; Surgery and Ophthalmology, Otolaryngology and Rhinology; Preventive Medicine and Public Health; and Legal Medicine, Ethics and Medical Jurisprudence;

WHEREAS, the Professional Regulatory Board of Medicine (Board) issued Resolution No. 19 (s. 2025) on the Adoption, Issuance and Promulgation of the Enhanced Tables of Specifications for the Subjects in the PLE;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Commission Resolution No. 2113 (s. 2025), the PLE shall be held on March 23, 24, 30, and 31, 2026 in the National Capital Region, Baguio, Cagayan de Oro, Cebu, Davao, Iloilo, Legazpi, Lucena, Pampanga, Rosales, Tacloban, Tuguegarao, and Zamboanga;

WHEREAS, the PLE subjects are being administered as follows:

First day:

Time	Subjects
8:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.	BIOCHEMISTRY
11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.	ANATOMY AND HISTOLOGY
2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.	MICROBIOLOGY AND PARASITOLOGY

Second day:

Time	Subjects
8:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.	PHYSIOLOGY
11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.	LEGAL MEDICINE, MEDICAL JURISPRUDENCE AND MEDICAL ETHICS
2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.	PATHOLOGY

Third day:

Time	Subjects
8:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.	PHARMACOLOGY AND THERAPEUTICS
11:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.	SURGERY
2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.	MEDICINE

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Fourth day:

Time

Subjects

8:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.

OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY

11:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

PEDIATRICS AND NUTRITION

2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.

PREVENTIVE MEDICINE

WHEREAS, the Board is considering to rearrange the above order of subjects to ensure a more balanced distribution of the subjects. The proposed change is intended to assist examinees in better managing their daily study and preparation for the licensure examination;

WHEREFORE, in view of the foregoing, the Commission **RESOLVES**, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, to adjust the order of examination subjects to be administered starting the **March 2026 Physicians Licensure Examination**, to wit:

First day:

Time

Subjects

8:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.

PHYSIOLOGY

11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

LEGAL MEDICINE, MEDICAL JURISPRUDENCE
AND MEDICAL ETHICS

2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

PATHOLOGY

Second day:

Time

Subjects

8:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.

BIOCHEMISTRY

11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

ANATOMY AND HISTOLOGY

2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

MICROBIOLOGY AND PARASITOLOGY

Third day:

Time

Subjects

8:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.

OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY

11:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

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2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.

PREVENTIVE MEDICINE

Fourth day:

Time

Subjects

8:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.

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11:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

SURGERY

2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.

MEDICINE

The changes herein proposed shall take effect immediately upon approval and shall be incorporated in the Examination Program to be issued for the March 2026 Physicians Licensure Examination and the subsequent schedules thereof.

All Commission offices/divisions are enjoined to undertake the necessary coordination to ensure the smooth and orderly conduct of the licensure examination.

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

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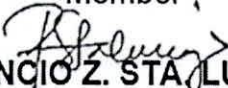
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Done in the City of Manila this 30th day of January, 2026.


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