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PROFESSIONAL REGULATORY BOARD OF MIDWIFERY
Resolution No. 07
Series of 2017

**IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7392
OR "AN ACT REVISING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 2644, AS AMENDED,
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PHILIPPINE MIDWIFERY ACT"**

Pursuant to Section 9, Article II of Republic Act No. 7392, otherwise known as the Philippine Midwifery Act of 1992, the Professional Regulatory Board of Midwifery (Board), with the approval of the Professional Regulation Commission (Commission), hereby issues, prescribes and promulgates this New Rules and Regulations to effectively implement the provisions of said Act.

**RULE I
TITLE AND DEFINITION OF TERMS**

SECTION 1. Title. - This Resolution shall be known and cited as the "Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act (R. A.) No. 7392, also known as the Philippine Midwifery Act of 1992," or for brevity, the "IRR of R. A. No. 7392".

SECTION 2. Definition of Terms. - Unless otherwise provided, the following terminologies shall be understood to mean:

1. **Board** refers to the Professional Regulatory Board of Midwifery;
2. **Commission** refers to the Professional Regulation Commission;
3. **Accredited Professional Organization (APO)** refers to the professional organization for Midwives that is accredited by the Commission;
4. **Certificate of Registration (COR)** refers to the document issued by the Board and the Commission to a Midwife, upon completing all the requirements to entitle him/her to such issuance pursuant to the provisions of R. A. No. 7392 and R. A. 8981;
5. **Professional Identification Card (PIC)** refers to the document issued by the Commission to a Midwife after payment of the prescribed fees for three (3) years and compliance with such other requirements, including the Continuing Professional Development (CPD);
6. **Code of Ethics** refers to the set of standards that shall govern the ethical conduct, moral obligations and duties to be observed by all Midwives that is issued by the Board and the Commission;

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7. **Code of Technical Standards for the Professional Practice of Midwifery** refers to the set of standards that shall govern the technical and professional aspects of Midwifery practice as prescribed by the Board and the Commission;
8. **Continuing Professional Development (CPD)** refers to the inculcation of advanced knowledge, skills and ethical values in a post-licensure specialized or in inter-or multi-disciplinary field of study for assimilation to professional practice, self-directed research and/or lifelong learning;
9. **Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Council** refers to the duly constituted body that is tasked to accredit CPD providers and programs and to administer, implement, and monitor the implementation of the CPD requirement for Midwives;
10. **Continuing Professional Development program/activity** refers to a set of learning activities accredited by the CPD Council such as seminars, workshops, technical lectures, or subject matter meetings, degree courses, non-degree training courses, lectures and scientific meetings, modules, tours and visits which are aimed at equipping the professionals with advanced knowledge, skills and values relevant to their professional practice;
11. **Foreign Reciprocity** refers to Section 22 of R. A. No. 7392 on the legal requirement for the admission of a foreign national to the Midwife Licensure Examination and the practice of the Midwifery profession in the country;
12. **Midwife** refers to an individual who is registered and licensed by the Board and the Commission to practice the Midwifery profession;
13. **Practice of Midwifery** refers to any act which consists in the performing or rendering, or offering to perform or render, for a fee, salary, or other reward or compensation, services requiring an understanding of the principles and application of procedures and techniques in the supervision and care of women during pregnancy, labor and puerperium; management of normal deliveries, including the performance of internal examination during labor except when patient is with antenatal bleeding; health education of the patient, family and community; primary health care services in the community, including nutrition and family planning in carrying out the written order of physicians with regard to antenatal, intra-natal and post-natal care of the normal pregnant mother, in giving immunization, including oral and parenteral dispensing of oxytocic drug after delivery of placenta, suturing perineal lacerations to control bleeding, to give intravenous fluid during obstetrical emergencies: *Provided*, they have been trained for that purpose; and may inject Vitamin K to the newborn: *Provided, however*, that this provision shall not apply to students in midwifery schools who perform midwifery services under the supervision of their instructors, nor to emergency cases;
14. **Emergency cases** refer to obstetrical conditions that are life-threatening which occur during pregnancy, labor, delivery, or post-partum;
15. **Midwife in Good Standing** refers to one who has a valid license as a Midwife, is compliant with the CPD and other requirements of the Board;

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16. **Republic Act No. 8981** refers to the PRC Modernization Act of 2000;
17. **Republic Act No. 10912** refers to the Continuing Professional Development Act of 2016;
18. **BEmONC** refers to Basic Emergency Obstetric and Neonatal Care;
19. **TOS** refers to the Table of Specifications;
20. **CHED** refers to the Commission on Higher Education;
21. **DOH** refers to the Department of Health; and
22. **PSA** refers to the Philippine Statistics Authority.

RULE II
COMPOSITION, QUALIFICATIONS, TERM OF OFFICE, COMPENSATION
AND REMOVAL OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

SECTION 3. Creation and Composition of the Board of Midwifery. - The Professional Regulatory Board of Midwifery, which shall hereinafter be referred to as the Board, is a collegial body under the direct supervision of the Professional Regulation Commission, which is hereinafter referred to as the Commission. It is composed of a Chairperson and four (4) Members who shall be appointed by the President of the Philippines from among those recommended by the Commission. The Commission shall make its recommendations for the Midwives and Nurse-Midwife positions from the list submitted by the APO for Midwives, and for the Obstetrician position from the list submitted by the Association of Obstetricians.

SECTION 4. Qualifications of Board Members. - At the time of appointment, the Members of the Board must be:

General Qualifications:

1. citizens and residents of the Philippines;
2. of good moral character; and
3. at least thirty (30) years old.

Special Qualifications:

Chairperson of the Board

1. Obstetrician; and
2. with at least ten (10) years of practice as an Obstetrician prior to appointment.

Three (3) Members of the Board

1. Midwives;
2. degree holders, preferably in the field of health and social sciences; and
3. with at least ten (10) years of practice as Midwives prior to appointment, five (5) years of which must be in supervisory positions.

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One (1) Member of the Board

1. Nurse-Midwife;
2. with at least ten (10) years of practice as a Nurse-Midwife prior to appointment.

SECTION 5. Disqualifications of Board Members. - The following are disqualified from being appointed as Members of the Board:

1. Members of the faculty, whether full time, part time or lecturer, of any school, college or university where a regular course in Midwifery is taught; and
2. Those who have pecuniary interest, directly or indirectly, in any such school, college or university during their terms of office as Members of the Board.

SECTION 6. Term of Office. - The Members of the Board shall hold office for a term of three (3) years or until their successors shall have been appointed and duly qualified, without prejudice to reappointment for another term. Each Member of the Board shall qualify by taking his/her oath of office before entering upon the performance of his/her duties. Vacancies brought about by reasons other than the expiration of terms shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the term only.

SECTION 7. Compensation of Board Members. - The Chairperson and Members of the Board shall each receive the same compensation granted to the Chairpersons and Members of the other Boards under the Commission as provided for in the General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 8. Removal of Board Members. - Any Member of the Board may be removed from office by the President of the Philippines, upon the recommendation of the Commission, after having been given the opportunity to defend himself/herself in a proper administrative investigation conducted by the Commission, on any of the foregoing grounds:

1. neglect of duty;
2. incompetence; or
3. unprofessional, immoral or dishonorable conduct

The Commission, in the conduct of the investigation, shall be guided by Section 7(s) of R. A. No. 8981, the rules on administrative investigation of the Commission, and the Rules of Court.

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RULE III
POWERS, DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS, MEETINGS AND
REPORTORIAL SUBMISSIONS OF THE BOARD

SECTION 9. Powers, Duties and Functions of the Board. - The Board is hereby vested with the authority to:

1. Promulgate, administer and enforce the rules and regulations for the practice of Midwifery in accordance with the provisions of R. A. No. 7392, R. A. No. 8981, and other relevant laws;
2. Determine, prepare and conduct the Midwife Licensure Examinations, adopt measures to ensure its integrity, check and rate the examination papers and submit the results thereof to the Commission;
3. Issue, suspend, revoke and reissue Certificate of Registration (COR), after observance of due process;
4. Set and promulgate the Code of Ethics and Code of Technical Standards for the Professional Practice of Midwifery;
5. Administer oaths in connection with the implementation of R. A. No. 7392;
6. Investigate any violation of R. A. No. 7392 or of the rules and regulations issued thereunder, as may come to the knowledge of the Board, and for this purpose, to issue *subpoena ad testificandum* or *subpoena duces tecum* to alleged violators or witnesses to secure their attendance in investigations or hearings or to produce books, papers and documents in connection therewith and to compel their attendance by power of contempt;
7. Inspect birthing clinics/establishments where Midwifery services are offered for the purpose of monitoring compliance with the laws and the Midwifery practice standards by all Midwives working therein;
8. Monitor periodically, in collaboration with the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), the status of Midwifery education and to recommend measures to maintain and upgrade its standards;
9. Look, from time to time, into the conditions affecting the practice of Midwifery in the Philippines and to adopt such measures as may be deemed necessary for the maintenance of the standards and ethics of the profession;
10. Adopt an official seal to authenticate official documents; and
11. Discharge such other express, implied and incidental powers to implement the provisions of R. A. No. 7392.

SECTION 10. Meetings of the Board. - The Board shall hold regular meetings at least once (1x) a month within the Commission premises. A special meeting may be called by the Chairperson or any of its two (2) Members to consider, deliberate or act upon urgent and important matters. The Board Secretary shall keep the minutes of the regular and special meetings of the Board. The minutes shall be signed and certified as correct by the Members of the Board present.

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SECTION 11. Supervision of the Board and Custodian of its Records.

- The Members of the Board shall be under the general supervision of the Commission. All records, including examination papers, examinations results, minutes of deliberation, records of administrative cases and investigations of the Board shall be kept by the Commission.

SECTION 12. Annual Report. - The Board shall submit an annual report to the Commission at the end of each calendar year, giving a detailed report of its activities and proceedings during the year. Other information or data may be requested by the Commission as often as may be necessary and practicable.

**RULE IV
MIDWIFERY EDUCATION, LICENSURE EXAMINATION
AND REGISTRATION**

SECTION 13. Schools of Midwifery. - To become a duly accredited and legally constituted institution for Midwifery education and training as provided for in R. A. No. 7392, a school for Midwifery must have applied and secured a permit to operate from the CHED. The school shall operate a Midwifery program in accordance with the existing Policies, Standards and Guidelines (PSG) for Midwifery Education.

SECTION 14. Minimum Academic and Professional Qualifications of the Dean and Faculty. - The qualification requirements for principals/deans and faculty members of Midwifery schools/colleges in the Philippines shall be those prescribed under CHED Memorandum Order (CMO) No. 33-2007 on the Policies and Standards for Midwifery Education, or in such other subsequent issuances as may hereinafter be promulgated by the CHED.

SECTION 15. Submission of the List of Faculty Members and Graduates. - All Midwifery schools/colleges shall submit the list of their faculty members and clinical instructors, together with the corresponding Certificate of Registration (COR) Numbers, dates of issuance and expiry, and relevant training to the Board and the Commission before the commencement of each school year. They shall further submit the list of all their graduates for the school year, certified as correct by the school principal and the school registrar, at the end of each school year.

SECTION 16. Licensure Examination. - All applicants for registration as Midwife shall be required to pass a written examination which shall be given by the Board in such places and dates as may be designated by the Commission.

SECTION 17. Scope of Examination. - The scope of the Midwife Licensure Examination shall be as follows:

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1. Infant Care and Feeding;
2. Obstetrical Anatomy and Physiology;
3. Principles of Bacteriology as applied to Midwifery Practice;
4. Obstetrics;
5. Midwifery Procedures;
6. Domiciliary Midwifery;
7. Community Hygiene and First Aid;
8. Nutrition;
9. Ethics of Midwifery Practice;
10. Primary Health Care;
11. Professional Growth and Development;
12. Family Planning;
13. Parasitology;
14. Microbiology;
15. Pharmacology; and
16. Other subjects which the Board may deem necessary to be added or included in the scope of the licensure examination, taking into consideration the Midwifery curriculum, the areas of the Midwifery practice and other related disciplines and competencies.

The Board shall formulate and issue the Tables of Specifications (TOS) of the subjects included in the Midwife Licensure Examination.

SECTION 18. Qualifications for Admission to the Licensure Examination. -

In order to be admitted to the Midwives Licensure Examination, an applicant must, at the time of filing his/her application, establish to the satisfaction of the Board that he/she is:

1. in good health;
2. of good moral character; and
3. a graduate of a course in Midwifery from a government-recognized and - accredited institution.

For purposes of admission to the Midwife Licensure Examination, the applicant must submit the following documentary requirements to support his/her application:

1. Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA)-authenticated copy of the Certificate of Live Birth;
2. PSA-authenticated copy of the Certificate of Marriage (for married females);
3. Certified true copy of the official Transcript of Records (TOR); and
4. Duly accomplished and notarized Forms, certified as correct by the clinical instructor and dean/principal of the college or school, attesting that the applicant has handled the following:

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- 4.1 Twenty (20) actual deliveries;
- 4.2 Twenty (20) internal examinations;
- 4.3 Five (5) suturing of perineal lacerations (1st or 2nd degree); and
- 4.4 Five (5) insertions of intravenous fluids.

The cases referred to in the preceding paragraph must have been undertaken by the applicant within the past five (5) years immediately preceding his/her application for the licensure examination. Otherwise, the applicant shall be required to secure/obtain new case requirements for this purpose. Further, the applicant, in undertaking such cases, must have been supervised by a Midwife who has completed post-graduate training/programs pertinent to the midwifery functions as provided for under R. A. No. 7392 and which training/program must have passed the accreditation of the CPD Council for Midwives.

SECTION 19. Foreign Reciprocity. - No Midwife who is a citizen, subject or national of a foreign country shall be granted any of the rights and privileges under R. A. No. 7392 unless he/she shows to the satisfaction of the Board that the country of which he or she is a citizen, subject or national, permits citizens of the Philippines to practice Midwifery within its territorial limits on the same basis as the citizen, subject or national of such country: *Provided*, that the requisites for admission to Midwifery school and for graduation in said country are substantially the same as those in the Philippines.

A foreign citizen, whether he/she studied in the Philippines or not, who desires to take the Midwife Licensure Examination through reciprocity shall initiate the establishment of reciprocity between his/her country or state and the Philippines by submitting a letter or any document signed by and under the official seal of the appropriate official of his/her country or state requesting the Chairperson of the Board to allow the foreign applicant to take the licensure examination; and that by express provision of the law of his/her country or state or international treaty, agreement and/or covenant to which his/her country or state is a signatory, Filipino citizens are allowed to take the Midwife Licensure Examination and to register as such in said foreign country or state on terms of strict and absolute equality with its own citizens, subjects or nationals, including the unconditional recognition of prerequisite degrees issued by institutions of higher learning duly recognized or established by the Government of the Republic of the Philippines, attaching/appendix thereto an authenticated copy of said law, international treaty, agreement and/or covenant officially translated in the English language.

SECTION 20. Fee for Examination and Registration. - Applicants for the Midwife Licensure Examination shall pay the prescribed examination and registration fees set by the Commission.

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SECTION 21. Ratings. - In order to pass the Midwife Licensure Examination, the examinee must obtain a general average of at least seventy-five percent (75%), with no grade lower than fifty percent (50%) in any subject.

SECTION 22. Report of Rating. - The Board shall, as early as practicable, report the ratings obtained by each examinee to the Commission, which in no case shall be later than one hundred twenty (120) days after the conduct of the examination.

SECTION 23. Oath. - All successful examinees must first take an Oath of Professional before the Board, or a duly authorized official of the Commission, or any official authorized by law to administer the oath before entering upon the practice of the Midwifery profession.

SECTION 24. Issuance of Certificate of Registration and Professional Identification Card. - All successful examinees shall, upon payment of the prescribed fees, be issued the following:

1. Certificate of Registration (COR) bearing the (i) full name of the registrant, (ii) COR number, (iii) signature of the Chairperson of the Commission, (iv) signatures of the Chairperson and Members of the Board, and (v) official seals of the Commission and of the Board. The COR shall be the evidence that the person named therein is entitled to all rights and privileges of a Midwife unless the COR shall have been, for just cause and after due process, suspended or revoked; and
2. Professional Identification Card (PIC) bearing the (i) date of registration, (ii) COR number, (iii) dates of issuance and expiry, (iv) signature of the Chairperson of the Commission. The same shall be valid for three (3) years, and shall be renewable every three (3) years thereafter upon payment of the required fees and compliance with such other requirements, including the CPD.

In order to be registered as a Midwife, it must be further established that he/she is a Filipino citizen and at least eighteen (18) years of age at the time of the issuance of his/her COR.

SECTION 25. Registration of Nurse-Midwife. - CORs may be issued to registered Nurses who passed the Midwife Licensure Examinations: *Provided*, that the Nurse before being allowed to take said examination must show evidence to the Board of having actually handled twenty (20) delivery cases, five (5) suturing of perineal lacerations (1st or 2nd degree), five (5) insertions of intravenous fluids, and five (5) internal examinations, as certified to by the director or chief of a duly registered or recognized hospital, or by the proper municipal, city, or provincial health officer. The cases abovementioned must have been undertaken after acquiring registration as a Nurse.

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SECTION 26. Refusal to Issue Certificate of Registration. - The Board shall refuse to issue a COR to any person who has been:

1. convicted by a court of competent jurisdiction of any criminal offense involving moral turpitude; or
2. found guilty of immoral or dishonorable conduct.

The Board shall give the applicant a written statement setting forth the reason/s for its action, which statement shall be incorporated in the records of the Board.

SECTION 27. Revocation and Suspension of Certificate of Registration and Cancellation of Special/Temporary Permit. - The Board shall have the power to revoke or suspend the validity of a COR of a Midwife for any of the causes mentioned in the preceding Section, or for any of the following causes:

1. unprofessional conduct;
2. malpractice, incompetence or serious ignorance or negligence;
3. assisting or performing abortion in the practice of Midwifery;
4. making use of fraud, deceit or false statements to obtain a COR;
5. violation of any provision of R. A. No. 7392, this IRR, Code of Ethics for Midwives and Code of Technical Standards for the Professional Practice of Midwifery, and other policies of the Board and the Commission;
6. practicing the profession during the period of suspension from practice; or
7. other grounds as may be determined by the Board.

SECTION 28. Re-issuance of Revoked Certificate or Replacement of Lost Certificate. - The Board may, for reasons of equity and justice and upon proper application therefor, reissue the COR upon payment of dues, and in so doing, may exempt the applicant from taking the requisite examination.

SECTION 29. Administrative Investigations. - The Board shall be assisted by the Legal and Investigation Division of the Commission in conducting hearings/investigations of an administrative case brought against a Midwife for any of the causes enumerated in the preceding Sections. Where the issue strictly involves the practice of the Midwifery profession, the hearing shall be presided over by at least one (1) Member of the Board to be assisted by a hearing/legal officer of the Commission.

The filing of administrative cases, conduct of the investigation and execution of decisions shall be governed by the prevailing rules on administrative investigation of the Commission and suppletorily, by the Rules of Court.

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SECTION 30. Finality of the Board's Decision. - The decision of the Board in an administrative case shall become final and executory after fifteen (15) days from notice, there being no appeal perfected.

**RULE V
PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE OF MIDWIFERY**

SECTION 31. Practice of Midwifery - The practice of Midwifery consists of:

1. Performing or rendering, or offering to perform or render, whether or not for a fee, salary or other reward or compensation, paid directly or through another, services requiring an understanding of the principles and application of procedures and techniques in the supervision and care of women during the following stages:

1.1. Pre-pregnancy and pregnancy, which include:

- 1.1.1. Giving of pre-pregnancy counseling
- 1.1.2. Assessing accurately the maternal condition during pregnancy;
and
- 1.1.3. Recognizing pregnancy complications and danger signs, and timely referral to the appropriate health facility;

1.2 Management of normal labor and deliveries, which include:

- 1.2.1 Performing of internal examination during labor except when patient is with antenatal bleeding;
- 1.2.3 Monitoring of the progress of labor using the appropriate tool;
- 1.2.3 Carrying out of the written order of a Physician with regard to antenatal, intra-natal care of the normal pregnant mother, which include: dispensing of oral and parental oxytocic drug to prevent post-partum hemorrhage; suturing of perineal lacerations to control bleeding; and giving of intravenous fluid during obstetrical emergencies: *Provided*, that they have been trained for that purpose;

1.3 Post natal, which includes:

- 1.3.1 Providing immediate post-natal care;
- 1.3.2 Making timely and appropriate referrals, when necessary;
- 1.3.3 Carrying-out the written order of a physician with regard to postnatal care of the mother;

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- 1.3.4 Providing essential newborn care, including the recognition, initial management, and immediate referral of newborns with complications; and
 - 1.3.5 Administering of Expanded Program on Immunization (EPI) vaccines and Tetanus Toxoid vaccines;
2. Primary Health Care Services in the community with emphasis on preventive and promotive health care services, namely:
 - 2.1 Promoting health education of the patient, family and community;
 - 2.2 Educating the community on prevailing health problems and the methods of preventing and controlling them;
 - 2.3 Promoting adequate and proper nutrition;
 - 2.4 Promoting basic sanitation and utilization of safe water;
 - 2.5 Providing appropriate information on maternal and child care, including family planning;
 - 2.6 Assisting in any of the following:
 - 2.6.1 immunization against the major infectious diseases;
 - 2.6.2 prevention and control of locally endemic diseases;
 - 2.6.3 appropriate treatment of common diseases and injuries; and
 - 2.6.4 provision of essential drugs;
3. Family Planning Services which include:
 - 3.1 Counseling of family planning clients;
 - 3.2 Providing of non-surgical family planning methods by Midwives who have undergone training in programs accredited by the Board;
 - 3.3 Making referrals of family planning clients to a health facility where the chosen family planning service or commodity is available.
4. Obstetric Emergency Care Services which refer to the provision of skilled and professional services by Midwives for emergency maternal and newborn conditions that include administration of life-saving drugs as provided for under DOH Administrative Order No. 2015-0020 dated May 11, 2015.

SECTION 32. Special Rules on the Suturing of Perineal Lacerations and Insertion of Intravenous Fluids - The following rules shall be observed by Midwives in suturing of perineal lacerations and insertion of intravenous fluids

1. Midwives must have the adequate academic preparation and training in the areas of suturing of perineal lacerations and/or insertion of intravenous fluid in order to ensure competency in the performance of such procedures.

2. Midwives must exert every effort to prevent perineal lacerations.
3. Midwives are allowed to suture only first and second degree perineal lacerations.
4. The giving of intravenous fluid must be done only after a thorough assessment to ascertain the presence of an obstetrical emergency and the indication for giving intravenous fluids.

SECTION 33. Additional Requirements for Midwives Registered prior to 1996. Persons who have been admitted to the practice of the Midwifery profession prior to 1996 must undergo a special training on the specific role of Midwives under R. A. No. 7392 in accordance with the guidelines that shall be issued for such purpose.

SECTION 34. Code of Ethics and Code of Technical Standards. The practice of Midwifery shall be governed by the highest standards of professionalism, with the aim of promoting public welfare and the ideal standards of professional care. For this purpose, a Code of Ethics and a Code of Technical Standards for the Professional Practice of Midwifery shall be issued by the Board.

SECTION 35. Management of Birthing Centers/Homes. The Board, in coordination with relevant government agencies, APO and other stakeholders, shall prescribe the rules governing the roles and responsibilities of Midwives in the management of birthing clinics/establishments.

RULE VI CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

SECTION 36. Continuing Professional Development (CPD). – It shall be the moral and ethical obligation of every Midwife to keep abreast with the latest trends and technology in the practice of the profession through attendance in Continuing Professional Development (CPD) programs and activities. The implementation of the CPD programs and activities for the Midwifery profession shall be governed by R. A. No. 10912 or the Continuing Professional Development Act of 2016, its IRR and the CPD Operational Guidelines that will be issued by the Board and the Commission.

RULE VII PENAL AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

SECTION 37. Inhibition Against the Unauthorized Practice of Midwifery. - No person shall practice or offer to practice Midwifery in the Philippines, as defined in R. A. No.7392 and this IRR, without holding a valid COR and PIC as a Midwife.

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SECTION 38. Penal Provision. - Any person who shall practice Midwifery in the Philippines within the meaning of R. A. No. 7392 without a COR issued in accordance therewith, or any person presenting or using as his/her own the COR of another or any person giving any false or forged evidence to the Commission in order to secure a COR or using a revoked or suspended COR or otherwise assuming, using or advertising as a Midwife or a Nurse-Midwife or appending to his/her name the letters R. M. without having been conferred such title by the Commission or advertising any title description tending to convey the impression that he/she is a Midwife, shall be guilty of misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to a fine of not less than Ten Thousand Pesos (P10,000.00) nor more than Thirty Thousand Pesos (P30,000.00), or imprisonment for a period of not less than two (2) years nor more than seven (7) years, or both, at the discretion of the court.

The aforementioned penalty shall likewise be imposed upon any person found guilty of violation of any rule and regulation issued pursuant to the provisions of R. A. No. 7392.

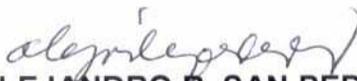
SECTION 39. Separability Clause. - If, for any reason, any section or provision of this IRR or the application of such section or provision to any person or circumstance is declared unconstitutional or void, no other section or provision of this IRR shall be affected thereby.

SECTION 40. Repealing Clause. - Board of Midwifery Resolution No. 100, s. of 1993, is hereby repealed. All other policy issuances of the Board and the Commission or parts thereof which are contrary or inconsistent herewith are deemed repealed or amended accordingly.

SECTION 41. Effectivity Clause. - This Resolution shall take effect after thirty (30) days following its full and complete publication in the Official Gazette or in any two (2) newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines.

Let copies hereof be furnished the University of the Philippines (U. P.) Law Center, the Integrated Midwives Association of the Philippines (IMAP) and other professional midwifery organizations and the Philippine Association of Philippine Schools of Midwifery (APSOM) for information and further dissemination

Issued this 8th day of September, 2017 at Manila, Philippines.


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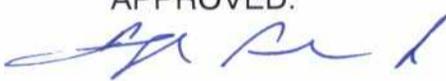
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