

## STATUS OF MAJOR PROGRAMS/PROJECTS IMPLEMENTATION

### Fourth Quarter of 2016

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| <b>FRONTLINE SERVICE</b><br><br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>PRC SERVICE CENTER</b></li> </ul> | <p>In its effort to make its frontline services available and accessible to the professionals, the Professional Regulation Commission entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) with Robinsons Land Corporation (RLC) on June 13, 2016. This made possible the setting-up of PRC Service Centers in selected Robinsons Malls under a rent-free agreement.</p> <p>PRC Service Centers are now operational in Robinsons Malls, in the cities of Mandaluyong, Manila, General Santos and Cebu. Available are the following frontline services:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Application for licensure examination</li> <li>2. Initial Registration</li> <li>3. Renewal of professional identification cards (PIC)</li> <li>4. Issuance of duplicate PICs</li> <li>5. Certification and authentication (Board Rating, Passing, Good Standing, Certificate of Registration (COR) and Professional Identification Cards</li> <li>6. Verification of Board Rating</li> </ol> | <p>Applicants for licensure examinations, registered professionals and other stakeholders</p> | <p>From October-December 2016, a total of 22,558 clients were catered by the PRC Service Centers located in Robinsons Malls in the cities of Mandaluyong, Manila, General Santos and Cebu</p> <p>PRC Service Centers will soon open in Robinsons Malls in the cities of Santiago, Bacolod, Iloilo, Dumaguete, Tacloban and Butuan.</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>ONE-STOP-SHOP SERVICE CENTER</b></li> </ul>                       | <p>This is in compliance with the President's directive for all government frontline offices to establish one-stop-shop service centers to facilitate access of the public to</p>   |   | <p>From October –December, a total of 5,790 clients were catered by the PRC One-stop-shop service centers in POEA-</p>   |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>MOBILE SERVICE</b></li> </ul>      | <p>government service and to minimize travel time and expenses.</p> <p>In its endeavor to serve the professionals and to make its frontline services closer and accessible to the professionals, the Professional Regulation Commission has been continuously conducting its mobile service to different places in Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao.</p>   | <p>Applicants for licensure examinations, registered professionals and other stakeholders</p> <p>Applicants for licensure examinations, registered professionals and other stakeholders</p> | <p>Mandaluyong, Clark Training Center-Pampanga, SM Cebu, Calamba Laguna, Tacloban City, OWWA-Zamboanga City, Iloilo and in Koronadal.</p> <p>Mobile services were conducted in various areas in <b>Luzon</b> ( Tarlac City, Zambales, Pangasinan, Ilocos, Aurora, Nueva Ecija, Benguet and Ifugao) ; <b>Visayas</b> (Bacolod); and <b>Mindanao</b> ( Oroquieta City-Misamis Occidental, Iligan-Lanao, Pantukan - Compostela Valley, Kidapawan-Cotabato, Tagum-Davao) to a total of 36,050 clients with an income of P11, 290, 334.00 from October to December 2016.</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>72 HOURS COMPLIANCE</b></li> </ul> | <p>This is in compliance with the President's directive to ensure timely delivery of government services through streamlining of systems and procedures, agencies shall identify key frontline services that can further simplified and delivered within seventy-two (72) hours or less from the date of filing/receipt of documentary requirements and propose corresponding improvements to reduce processing time and transaction costs and eliminate redundancies as well as to provide immediate feedback to clients on the status of their transactions</p> | <p>Applicants for licensure examinations, registered professionals and other stakeholders</p>   | <p>Six (6) frontline services namely application for examination, initial registration, renewal of license, certification, authentication and processing of stateboard verification are 72 hours compliant.</p> <p>PRC Hotline Numbers (310-00-26 and 310-10-47) are operational during office hours (8 a.m. - 5 p.m.) on workdays (Mondays – Fridays). PRC Facebook and Twitter Account were created for faster information dissemination, along with the commission's website.</p>  |

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| <b>IMPROVEMENT OF THE<br/>COMPUTERIZATION OF PRC<br/>PROCESSES, DEVELOPMENT OF<br/>DATABASE, AND<br/>DIGITALIZATION/ RECORDS<br/>ARCHIVAL</b> | <p>The core programs/projects in the computerization of PRC processes are enhancement of online services: 1) Online Application System (OAS); 2) Online Registration (initial/renewal) System (ORRS); 3) Electronic Payment and Collection System (EPCS); and development of Information System: (Test Question Databank System (TQDS); Correction and Releasing System (CRS); Centralized Records Management Information System (CRMIS); Legal Management Information System (LMIS); and Continuing Professional Development Accreditation System (CPDAS).</p> | <p>Applicants for licensure examinations, registered professionals and other stakeholders</p> | <p>PRC online services are fully implemented. Applicants for application of examination, initial registration and renewal of professional identification card can now apply via online services.</p> <p>A Memorandum of Agreement between PRC and DBP-DCI regarding Electronic Payment and Collection System (EPCS) with LERIS enhancements was signed on December 5, 2016 to continue the implementation of EPCS at the Central Office.</p> <p>The bidding is set for the Enhancement of PRC Web Portal, Test Question and Databank System and Correction and Releasing System, pursuant to the provisions of Republic Act 9184 otherwise known as the "Government Procurement Reform Act".</p> <p>On Development of Technology Resources, the Technical Working Group on the bidding of Network Security Enhancement and LAN Improvement is still working on the Terms of Reference.</p> |

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| <b>CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD)</b>  | <b>Continuing Professional Development (CPD)</b> is a lifelong, systematic and planned process to maintain and develop professional competence, creativity and innovation. The CPD will strengthen professional core competencies thus assuring availability of qualified and competent professionals for local industry and equip the Filipino professional for global competitiveness required by the liberalization of trade in services. | Registered Professionals of the 43 Regulated Professions   | <p>The CPD Councils of various professions have accredited 93 CPD Providers and 880 CPD Programs.</p> <p>There are 68,059 professionals who availed of the CPD Programs from October to December 2016.</p>  |
| <b>MUTUAL RECOGNITION AGREEMENT/ MUTUAL RECOGNITION OF PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS (MRA/MRPQ)</b> | The objective of MRA and MRPQ is to promote and facilitate borderless practice for the regulated professions. The Commission targeted seven professions (Agriculture, Criminology, Optometry, Pharmacy, Medical Technology, Respiratory Therapy and Customs Broker) to have an MRA/MRPQ in 2016, and to register 30 ASEAN Chartered Professional Engineers (ACPE) and 10 ASEAN Architects.   | <p>Filipino professionals</p> <p>Foreign professionals under reciprocity/mutual recognition agreement/ arrangement</p> | <p>Among the professions identified in 2015<sup>1</sup> and in 2016<sup>2</sup>, Psychology, Real Estate Services, Nutrition and Dietetics, Customs Broker, Professional Teachers and Interior Design are able to sign an agreement or instrument of collaboration.</p> <p>Landscape Architecture, Veterinary Medicine, Librarians, Medical technology and Respiratory Therapy are already on the third phase where they have established a document/instrument of collaboration submitted to their foreign counterparts for consideration and approval.</p> <p>Physical Therapy and Occupational</p> |

<sup>1</sup> Psychology;Real Estate Service;Professional Teachers;Physical and Occupational Therapy;Landscape Architecture;Interior Design;Veterinary Medicine;Environmental Planning;Nutrition and Dietetics; and Librarians

<sup>2</sup> Agriculture;Criminology;Customs Brokers;Medical Technology;Optometry;Pharmacy; and Respiratory Therapy

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|                           |   |   | Therapy, Optometry and Pharmacy on the second phase while Environmental Planning, Agriculture and Criminology are on the first phase.   |
| <b>ISO CERTIFICATION</b>  | <p>The program is in compliance with Executive Order No. 605 series of 2007, and DOLE Memorandum Order No. 42-18 series of 2013, and in line with the Commission's policy to continuously improve the delivery of its services.</p> <p>The implementation of the QMS aims to affirm the Commission's compliance with the ISO 9001:2008 standards.</p>   | PRC officials, employees and stakeholders | ISO 9001:2008 Certificate of Registration was awarded on August 22, 2016 with validity until September 14, 2018 by the Certification International Philippines.   |
| <b>PRC REORGANIZATION</b> | To enable the agency to effectively pursue its mandate and critical functions as provided by R.A. 8981 (PRC Modernization Act of 2000), a reorganization of its organizational structure and staffing pattern is necessary. The reorganization will enhance administrative capacity, delineate staff from line functions, promote decentralization, attract competent staff, and enhance linkages among Professional Regulatory Boards and stakeholders, and infuse knowledge management and client-focus into frontline operations. This will focus agency resources into mission-critical functions such as regulation of the practice of the professions through licensure, regulatory | PRC officials and employees               | <p>Preparing for placement of personnel in accordance with RA 6656 otherwise known as "An Act to Protect the Security of Tenure of Civil Service Officers and Employees in the implementation of Government Reorganization"</p> <p>Notice of Organization, Staffing and Compensation Action (NOSCA) issued on October 10, 2016.</p> <p>A Reorganization Placement Committee (RPC) was created under the Office Order No. 2016-339 dated August 12, 2016 as the governing body for the placement of personnel in the approved OSSP.</p> <p>A technical Working Group was created</p> |

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|                 | and developmental programs such as continuing professional development, trade in services, research and development, and employment-facilitation. |               | under the Office Order No. 2016-483 dated October 27, 2016 to assist the RPC in the preparation of a Position Tracker to better understand the NOSCA released by the DBM. |

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Third Quarter of 2016

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| <b>FRONTLINE SERVICE</b><br><br><b>• PRC SERVICE CENTER</b> | <p>In its effort to make its frontline services available and accessible to the professionals, the Professional Regulation Commission entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) with Robinsons Land Corporation (RLC) on June 13, 2016. This made possible the setting-up of PRC Service Centers in selected Robinsons Malls under a rent-free agreement.</p> <p>PRC Service Centers are now operational in Robinsons Malls, in the cities of Mandaluyong, Manila, General Santos and Cebu. Available are the following frontline services:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Application for licensure examination</li> <li>2. Initial Registration</li> <li>3. Renewal of professional identification cards (PIC)</li> <li>4. Issuance of duplicate PICs</li> <li>5. Certification and authentication (Board Rating, Passing, Good Standing, Certificate of Registration (COR) and Professional Identification Cards</li> <li>6. Verification of Board Rating</li> </ol> | <p>Applicants for licensure examinations, registered professionals and other stakeholders</p> | <p>The PRC Service Centers located in Robinsons Malls in the cities of Mandaluyong, Manila, General Santos and Cebu have been operational since their inception.</p> <p>PRC Service Centers in Robinsons Galleria and Robinsons Place Manila initially started as mobile services on July 14, 2016 and were formally launched on September 19, 2016. Likewise, PRC Service Centers in Robinsons General Santos City and in Robinsons Cebu City were also formally launched on June 24, 2016 and September 7, 2016 respectively.</p> <p>From July to September 2016, a total of 20,004 clients were catered by the PRC Service Centers.</p> <p>PRC Service Centers will soon open in Robinsons Malls in the cities of Santiago, Bacolod, Iloilo, Dumaguete, Tacloban and Butuan.</p> |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>ONE-STOP-SHOP SERVICE CENTER</b></li> <li>• <b>MOBILE SERVICE</b></li> <li>• <b>72 HOURS COMPLIANCE</b></li> </ul> | <p>This is in compliance with the President's directive for all government frontline offices to establish one-stop-shop service centers to facilitate access of the public to government service and to minimize travel time and expenses.</p> <p>In its endeavor to serve the professionals and to make its frontline services closer and accessible to the professionals, the Professional Regulation Commission has been continuously conducting its mobile service to different places in Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao.</p> <p>This is in compliance with the President's directive to ensure timely delivery of government services through streamlining of systems and procedures, agencies shall identify key frontline services that can further simplified and delivered within seventy-two (72) hours or less from the date of filing/receipt of documentary requirements and propose corresponding improvements to reduce processing time and transaction costs and eliminate redundancies as well as to provide immediate feedback to clients on the status of their transactions</p> | <p>Applicants for licensure examinations, registered professionals and other stakeholders</p> <p>Applicants for licensure examinations, registered professionals and other stakeholders</p> <p>Applicants for licensure examinations, registered professionals and other stakeholders</p> | <p>One-stop-shop service centers are now operational in POEA-Mandaluyong, Clark Training Center- Pampanga, OWWA-Zamboanga City, in Tacloban City and in SM Cebu.</p> <p>Mobile service was conducted in various areas in <b>Luzon</b> ( Rosales, Laoag City, Bayombong, Vigan City, Tarlac City, Dagupan City, Olongapo, Mountain Province, Catanduanes) ; <b>Visayas</b> (Bacolod); and <b>Mindanao</b> (Tagum, Surigao, Lanao and Gingoog)</p> <p>Six (6) frontline services namely application for examination, initial registration, renewal of license, certification, authentication and processing of stateboard verification are 72 hours compliant.</p> <p>The Chairman created the following working groups for a more efficient, effective and timely delivery of PRC services:</p> <p>1) Task Force on Systems and Procedures to strengthen measures (e.g process cycle time, work process, documentary requirements, forms, ICT applications, offsite/PRC</p> |
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|  |  |  | <p>service centers, mobile outreach, training and capacity-building, and inter-agency issues) to comply with the provisions of the Anti-Red Tape Act;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>2) Task Force to Improve the Efficiency of the Public Information and Public Assistance System</li><li>3) Technical Working Group for PRC Freedom of Information in consonance with Executive Order No. 2 series of 2016</li><li>4) Website Management Committee</li><li>5) Physical Infrastructure Special Committee</li></ol> <p>PRC Hotline Numbers (310-00-26 and 310-10-47) were made available and are operational during office hours (8 a.m. - 5 p.m.) on workdays (Mondays – Fridays). The Commission's website, Facebook account, and Twitter handle are accessible 24/7.</p> <p>To expedite PRB action, the Commission designated Focal Persons in each of the 43 PRBs.</p> |
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| <b>IMPROVEMENT OF THE COMPUTERIZATION OF PRC PROCESSES, DEVELOPMENT OF DATABASE, AND DIGITALIZATION/ RECORDS ARCHIVAL</b> | The core programs/projects in the computerization of PRC processes are enhancement of online services: 1) Online Application System (OAS); 2) Online Registration (initial/renewal) System (ORRS); 3) Electronic Payment and Collection System (EPCS); and development of Information System: (Test Question Databank System (TQDS); Correction and Releasing System (CRS); Centralized Records Management Information System (CRMIS); Legal Management Information System (LMIS); and Continuing Professional Development Accreditation System (CPDAS). | Applicants for licensure examinations, registered professionals and other stakeholders              | The Central Office is currently conducting the pilot testing of online services for examination application, initial registration and renewal.<br><br>A proposal to procure information system project through an agency-to-agency agreement was submitted to BAC on September 27, 2016.  |
| <b>CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD)</b>  | <b>Continuing Professional Development (CPD)</b> is a lifelong, systematic and planned process to maintain and develop professional competence, creativity and innovation. The CPD will strengthen professional core competencies thus assuring availability of qualified and competent professionals for local industry and equip the Filipino professional for global competitiveness required by the liberalization of trade in services.   | Registered Professionals of the 43 Regulated Professions  | CPD bill lapsed into law (Republic Act No. 10912) on July 21, 2016. CPD compliance is now required for the renewal of professional identification cards.<br><br>The CPD Councils of various professions have accredited 51 CPD Providers and 1,093 CPD Programs.<br><br>There are 23,379 professionals who availed of the CPD Programs from July to August 2016 |
| <b>MUTUAL RECOGNITION AGREEMENT/ MUTUAL RECOGNITION OF PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS (MRA/MRPQ)</b>                         | The objective of MRA and MRPQ is to promote and facilitate borderless practice for the regulated professions. The Commission targeted seven professions (Agriculture, Criminology, Optometry, Pharmacy, Medical Technology, Respiratory Therapy  | Filipino professionals<br><br>Foreign professionals under reciprocity/mutual recognition agreement/ | Environmental Planning, Agriculture and Criminology are on the first phase <sup>1</sup> while Professional Teachers, Optometry and Pharmacy are already on the second phase <sup>2</sup> .  |

<sup>1</sup> First phase includes research and data gathering; Second phase is consultative meeting with stakeholders; Third phase is meeting with foreign counterpart ; Fourth phase is the Memorandum of Agreement

<sup>2</sup> Second phase is consultative meetings with stakeholders

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|  | and Customs Broker) to have an MRA/MRPQ in 2016, and to register 30 ASEAN Chartered Professional Engineers (ACPE) and 10 ASEAN Architects. | arrangement | <p>Professional Teachers, Respiratory Therapy, Landscape Architecture*, Interior Design, Veterinary Medicine*, Librarians*, and Medical Technology* are already on the third phase<sup>3</sup></p> <p><i>Note: Professions with asterisk sign (*) already have an instrument of collaboration endorsed to their foreign counterparts for consideration and approval</i></p> <p>Psychology, Real Estate Service, Nutrition and Dietetics and Customs Broker are able to sign an agreement or document of collaboration<sup>4</sup>.</p> <p>Thirty (31) Filipino ACPE are registered with ASEAN Chartered Professional Engineer Registry and ten (10) Filipino ASEAN Architects are registered with ASEAN Architect Registry as of September 2016</p> |
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<sup>3</sup> Third phase is meeting with foreign counterpart

<sup>4</sup> Summary of Agreement dated June 28-29, 2016

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| <b>ISO CERTIFICATION</b>  | <p>The program is in compliance with Executive Order No. 605 series of 2007, and DOLE Memorandum Order No. 42-18 series of 2013, and in line with the Commission's policy to continuously improve the delivery of its services.</p> <p>The implementation of the QMS aims to affirm the Commission's compliance with the ISO 9001:2008 standards.</p>  | PRC officials, employees and stakeholders | ISO 9001:2008 Certificate of Registration was awarded on August 22, 2016  |
| <b>PRC REORGANIZATION</b> | <p>To enable the agency to effectively pursue its mandate and critical functions as provided by R.A. 8981 (PRC Modernization Act of 2000), a reorganization of its organizational structure and staffing pattern is necessary. The reorganization will enhance administrative capacity, delineate staff from line functions, promote decentralization, attract competent staff, and enhance linkages among Professional Regulatory Boards and stakeholders, and infuse knowledge management and client-focus into frontline operations. This will focus agency resources into mission-critical functions such as regulation of the practice of the professions through licensure, regulatory and developmental programs such as continuing professional development, trade in services, research and development, and employment-facilitation.</p> | PRC officials and employees               | <p>Preparing for placement of personnel in accordance with RA 6656 otherwise known as "An Act to Protect the Security of Tenure of Civil Service Officers and Employees in the implementation of Government Reorganization"</p> <p>Notice of Organization, Staffing and Compensation Action (NOSCA) issued October 11, 2016</p> |



Professional Regulation Commission

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Second Quarter of 2016

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| <b>KRA 1: TRANSPARENT, ACCOUNTABLE AND PARTICIPATORY GOVERNANCE</b> |   |  |  |
| <b>LICENSURE EXAMINATION</b>  |   |  |  |
| <b>CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD)</b>                    | <p><b>Continuing Professional Development (CPD)</b> is a lifelong, systematic and planned process to maintain and develop professional competence, creativity and innovation. To enhance and maintain high professional and occupational, ethical and technical standards in the practice of the professions and assure global competitiveness of professionals, CPD among professionals will be promoted and implemented. CPD will strengthen professional core competencies thus assuring availability of qualified and competent professionals for local industry and equip the Filipino professional for global competitiveness required by the liberalization of trade in services.</p> <p>With the advent of liberalization of trade in services, leading to the ASEAN Economic Community in 2015, CPD needs to be updated with the institutionalization of the Philippine Qualifications Framework (PQF) through Executive Order No. 83 to align CPD with PQF domains and descriptors, the ASEAN Qualifications Framework (AQF) and other international qualifications framework</p> | Registered Professionals of the 43 Regulated Professions | <p>Senate Bill No. 2581 and House Bill No. 6423 on Continuing Professional Development were already approved in both Houses transmitted to the Office of the President on June 20, 2016 pending approval of the President. The said bill of the President will automatically lapse into law on July 21, 2016 if not vetoed by the President.</p> <p>The CPD Councils of various professions have to date accredited 38 CP Providers and 1,040 CPD Programs. The CPD Councils of various professions have selected and designated 75 CPD monitors who shall be undergoing training by end of December 2016.</p> |



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| <b>MUTUAL RECOGNITION OF PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS</b> | <p>The general objective of the program is the promotion of the general welfare and interest of the public by ensuring that only those qualified foreign professionals under the signed international agreements/arrangements, in correlation with the domestic regulatory laws are allowed to practice. Likewise, with the global mobility of the Filipino professional is facilitated through these international agreements. With these end in view, the program shall: a) Facilitate the recognition of our professional qualifications, licenses and competencies in foreign countries of destination; b) Ensure the full compliance of the requirements of Section 7 (j) of the PRC Modernization Act and the relevant regulatory laws prior issuance of Special Temporary Permits to foreign professionals; c) Provide advisory and technical assistance to the Commission and the Professional Regulatory Boards in the formulation of policies and negotiation positions for these international agreements, emerging or existing through stakeholder consultations; and d) Establish a global market information system on professional services to provide strategic support for labor and professional manpower development planning.</p> | <p>Filipino professionals</p> <p>Foreign professionals under reciprocity/mutual recognition agreement/ arrangement</p> | <p>Physical and Occupational Therapy, Environmental Planning, Agriculture and Criminology, Midwifery, Guidance and Counselling, and Fisheries Professions are on the first phase<sup>1</sup> while the Professional Teachers, Medical Technology, Respiratory Therapy, Veterinary Medicine and Librarians are already on the third phase. Psychology and Real Estate Services, Nutrition and Dietetics, Customs Broker are able to sign an agreement or document of collaboration<sup>2</sup>.</p> <p>Landscape Architecture and Interior Design have established document for collaboration set for signing. Optometry and Pharmacy are undergoing various consultations with their stakeholders.</p> <p>PRC has registered and conferred 44 ASEAN Chartered Professional Engineers as of May 2016. These professionals are now ready for practice and collaborate anywhere in ASEAN.</p> <p>There is a continuous information dissemination on the implementation of the ASEAN Mutual Recognition Arrangements and the Philippine Qualifications Framework and ASEAN Qualifications Reference Framework.</p> |
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| <b>INFORMATION SYSTEMS STRATEGIC PLAN (ISSP)</b> | <p>The program comprises of the enhancement and modernization of the Licensure and Registration Information System (LERIS) Project, PRC Website, improvement of the Network Security Enhancement and Local Area Network (LAN).</p>  | <p>Applicants for licensure examinations and registered professional</p> <p>PRC and PRBs Officials and Employees</p> <p>Other stakeholders and agencies</p> | <p>Pilot-testing of online services (application, initial registration/renewal, payment) in the Central Office started on February 15, 2016.</p> <p>There is an ongoing conduct of CPDAS and LMIS user's training and orientation.</p> <p>The Terms of Reference (TOR) for the procurement of Network Security Enhancement and LAN improvement and development of PRC website will be endorsed to BAC for public bidding.</p> <p>The ICT is currently using the Colocation Facility Service at Vitro for offsite back-up.</p> <p>IT training will be conducted starting July 30 to September 3, 2016.</p> |
| <b>ISO CERTIFICATION</b>                         | <p>The program is in compliance with Executive Order No. 605 series of 2007, and DOLE Memorandum Order No. 42-18 series of 2013, and in line with the Commission's policy to continuously improve the delivery of its services.</p> <p>The implementation of the QMS aims to affirm the Commission's compliance with the ISO 9001:2008 standards.</p> | <p>PRC officials, employees and stakeholders</p>  | <p>The Commission recently completed the Stage 2 audit for its application for ISO 9001:2008 . The Stage 2 audit by Certification International Philippines, Inc. was held last June 1 to June 3, 2016 at the PRC Central Office.</p> <p>The various offices/divisions of PRC are currently complying with the required documents and corrections based on the findings of minor non-conformities and opportunities for improvements.</p>   |



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| <b>PRC REORGANIZATION</b>  | <p>To enable the agency to effectively pursue its mandate and critical functions as provided by R.A. 8981 (PRC Modernization Act of 2000), a reorganization of its organizational structure and staffing pattern is necessary. The reorganization will enhance administrative capacity, delineate staff from line functions, promote decentralization, attract competent staff, and enhance linkages among Professional Regulatory Boards and stakeholders, and infuse knowledge management and client-focus into frontline operations. This will focus agency resources into mission-critical functions such as regulation of the practice of the professions through licensure, regulatory and developmental programs such as continuing professional development, trade in services, research and development, and employment-facilitation.</p> | PRC officials and employees                           | <p>The DBM in its letter of June 8, 2016 approved the creation of 21 Divisions and the revised staffing pattern comprised of 1,075 positions. Likewise, DBM endorsed to OP the creation of 7 services/offices and the creation, reclassification and conversion of various Director positions in the Central and Regional Offices.</p> <p>The corresponding Notice of Organization, Staffing and Compensation Action (NOSCA) shall be issued by DBM except those positions that are still subject to the approval of the President.</p>                                |
| <b>CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROPOSED PRC BUILDING IN MACAPAGAL AVENUE</b> | <p>The PRC and the 43 Professional Regulatory Boards (PRBs) have been housed in the building which was built long before the PRC was created in 1973. The building has reached its obsolescence and has become an image of unprofessionalism among the professionals and other stakeholders.</p> <p>Likewise, the approved PRC staffing pattern under the reorganizational plan will create new positions that will certainly require bigger and wider space to accommodate the employees and the PRBs. Also, the role of the PRC and PRBs is continuously expanding due to multilateral, bilateral and other international trade agreements where the Philippines is a</p>  | <p>PRC Officials and employees</p> <p>PRC Clients</p> | <p>The Commission represented by Chairman Teofilo S. Pilando, Jr. and the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) represented by Secretary Rogelio L. Singson entered into an Amended Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for the construction of the proposed PRC Building at the Business Park, Island A (CBP1 – A), Bay City, Pasay City.</p> <p>The Amended MOA paved the way for the procurement of an Architectural and Engineering (A&amp;E) Consultant for the preparation of the detailed A&amp;E Design, and thereafter the procurement of a Contractor</p> |

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|  | <p>signatory and this requires constant coordination with stakeholders.</p> <p>The new PRC building which will be constructed in a 4,860 square meter lot in Pasay City is envisioned to project an image of professionalism and transparency in line with its mission and vision, reinforcing its role in the development of ethical and globally competitive Filipino professionals.</p> |  | <p>for the construction of the proposed PRC Building.</p> <p>The Conceptual Plans had already been prepared by the PRC with the assistance of the Professional Regulatory Board of Architecture.</p> |
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| NO. | PROGRAM                                   | STATUS  |
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| 1   | PRC REORGANIZATION                        | <p>To enable the agency to effectively pursue its mandate and critical functions as provided by R.A. 8981 (PRC Modernization Act of 2000), a reorganization of its organizational structure and staffing pattern is necessary. The reorganization will enhance administrative capacity, delineate staff from line functions, promote decentralization, attract competent staff and enhance linkages among Professional Regulatory Boards and stakeholders, and infuse knowledge management and client-focused into frontline operations.</p> <p><i>The PRC has already submitted its justification for the creation of seven (7) offices instead of six (6) to the Department of Budget and Management for consideration. Revised staffing pattern will be prepared as soon as the new organizational structure is approved by DBM.</i></p>   |
| 2   | CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD) | <p>Continuing Professional Development (CPD) is a lifelong, systematic and planned process to maintain and develop professional competence, creativity and innovation. To enhance and maintain high professional and occupational, ethical and technical standards in the practice of the professions and assure global competitiveness of professionals, CPD among professionals is being promoted and implemented. Development of continuing education and training programs will sustain and strengthen core competencies thus assuring availability of qualified and competent professionals. CPD will equip the Filipino professional for global competitiveness required by the liberalization of trade in services resulting from international/regional and bilateral agreements.</p> <p><i>To make CPD a mandatory requirement to all professions, there is a need for the CPD to be enacted into law. On August 3, 2015, the Senate has approved the CPD bill on its 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading, and transmitted the same in the House of Representatives on August 15, 2015. The Third Reading in Congress is scheduled on May 23, 2016.</i></p> |

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| 3 | <b>MUTUAL RECOGNITION<br/>AGREEMENT/MUTUAL ECOGNITION OF<br/>PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATION</b> | <p>The Philippines is a signatory of twenty (20) international Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) and various Bilateral Labour cooperations. Currently, there are four (4) in the pipeline namely, PH-European Free Trade Agreement (EFTA), PH European Union, PH Canada Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) and Trans Pacific Partnership (TPP). In all of these international agreements, Professional Services, Movement of Natural Persons and Mutual Recognition as articles or separate chapters prominently figure out. As stipulated in these agreements, the country as a signatory is bound with the commitments, obligations and deliverables it made. These commitments, as with our foreign counterparts are realized in the full implementation of these International agreements. For PRC, one of its core mandates is to ensure that full implementation of the provisions relevant to the regulation of the practice of profession is undertaken. This is true in the case of foreign professionals in the country, as well as those Filipino profession also in the countries of our co-signatories.</p> <p>For the recognition of professional qualifications, the activity is composed of several phases:</p> <p>The <b>first phase</b> will include <b>data gathering</b> particularly the perceived gaps of professional qualifications in the ASEAN region and other countries that are usual destination of Filipino professionals. This phase will also include the conduct of researches / studies on: Philippine qualifications, Foreign qualifications, Local credentialing system (e.g. Requirements, education and training, Credentialing organizations, laws and policies), Foreign credentialing system (e.g. Benchmarking on the highest standards, Credentialing organizations, laws and policies).</p> <p>The <b>second phase</b> is the determination of areas of specific alignment / areas of non-alignment; and the identification and engagement of on international experts to assist the Commission.</p> |
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|   |                   | <p>The <b>third phase</b> will be the actual visits to the identified foreign jurisdiction to conduct discussions with counterpart – regulators including consolidation of outputs of research conducted on Philippine and foreign credentialing organizations, credentialing systems and areas of alignment and areas of non – alignment and submission of recommendations for policy shift, if necessary</p> <p>The <b>fourth phase</b> will be the signing of Memorandum of Agreement</p> <p><i>In 2015, out of <b>10 professions</b> identified to have mutual recognition of professional qualifications, four (4) professions namely, Landscape Architecture, Veterinary Medicine, Interior Design and Librarian have already met their foreign counterparts (<b>3<sup>rd</sup> phase</b>) ; the PRB on Psychology has signed their Memorandum of Agreement with their foreign counterpart (<b>4<sup>th</sup> phase</b>); five (5) professions namely, Real Estate Services, Professional Teachers, Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy, Nutrition and Dietetics and Environmental Planning are under the research phase (<b>1<sup>st</sup> phase</b>) on the establishment of a comparative matrix on Professional Qualifications with their foreign counterparts.</i></p> <p><i>The Commission shall continue to conduct consultations/discussions with the Professional Regulatory Boards to establish referencing and benchmarking with counterpart professions in other ASEAN Member States and other APEC economies.</i></p> |
| 4 | ISO CERTIFICATION | <p>The first stage of audit was consummated last December 22, 2015, with the audit findings released by the Certification International Philippines (CIP) on January 20, 2016. The Certifying Body declared that PRC has a system in place, and recommended that the findings be properly addressed prior to Stage 2 audit.</p> <p><i>The conduct of 2<sup>nd</sup> Stage (On-site Audit ) in the Central Office is scheduled on April 22, 2016 and hope to be awarded of ISO Certification on June 2016. The Commission will also conduct Training Courses on ISO 9001:2008 and Internal Quality Audit seminar in the Regional Offices on 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester of 2016 (Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao) and for the Regional Offices to prepare their Procedures Manual in the same year.</i></p>   |

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|   |  | <p><i>The Commission's target for 2017 is for the ten (10) Regional Offices to be ISO 9001:2008 certified.</i></p>  |
| 5 | <b>CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROPOSED PRC BUILDING IN MACAPAGAL AVENUE</b> | <p><i>The approved Multi-Year Obligational Authority amounting to Php 999,102.00 was issued on December 23, 2015. From this amount, Php. 484,000,000.00 was already released to DPWH. The remaining balance will be transferred by Department of Budget and Management on 2017.</i></p> <p><i>The Terms of Reference (TOR) was prepared under a design and build arrangement for the Commission. A Technical Working Group (TWG) was also constituted composed of selected Professional Regulatory Board chairpersons and members. The TWG will submit outline specifications and minimum performance standards for their respective disciplines as part of the Terms of Reference.</i></p> <p><i>Minor revisions are being made to the TOR in compliance with the comments and suggestions given by DPWH regarding space requirements.</i></p> <p><i>The bidding process will tentatively commence on April 2, 2016.</i></p> |
| 6 | <b>INFORMATION SYSTEMS STRATEGIC PLAN (ISSP)</b>                     | <p>The program comprises of the enhancement and modernization of the <b>Licensure and Registration Information System (LERIS) Project</b>, PRC Website, improvement of the Network Security Enhancement and Local Area Network (LAN). The components of the program are described as follows:</p>   |

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|  |  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Enhancement and Modernization of the Licensure and Registration Information System (LERIS) Project</b><br/>A two-phase integrated and enhanced web-based information system. Phase 1 comprises the integration and enhancement of the existing Online Application System, Online Registration (initial/renewal) System into the Licensure Examination and Registration System (LERIS), while the Phase 2 involves the development and implementation of Test Question Databank System (TQDS), Correction and Releasing System (CRS), Legal Management Information System (LMIS) and Continuing Professional Development Accreditation System (CPDAS) sub-systems.</li><li>• <b>Enhancement of PRC Web Portal</b><br/>The Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) website provides a variety of information about the PRC and the various professions, and, likewise, become the virtual storefront where stakeholders can transact business with. The Portal has 43 sub-portals, one each for the 46 professions such that specific information about the professions can be accessed, verified, or down loaded. The PRC Portal is being interfaced with all the ongoing LERIS web-based application systems.<br/><br/>The website will serve as the Portal for all the web-based services that will be deployed / accessible through the website, such as online application for licensure examination, online payment of applicable fees, online registration and renewal of licenses. This will also interface / link with other web sites / portals to enable PRC stakeholders to easily access related information found in other government agencies and organizations.</li><li>• <b>Network Security Enhancement and LAN Improvement</b><br/>This refers to the continuing enhancement of the overall ICT infrastructure of the Commission in order to provide a proper operating environment (temperature, humidity, electrical, safety, etc) to support all the required hardware, software, network and other related resources and effectively deploy/implement eServices, and to install a more stringent web security and control features to protect the integrity and confidentiality of PRC information and web services and to ensure continuous service to professionals, stakeholders, users and the general public.</li></ul> |
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|  |  | <p><i>A Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) among PRC, Service Provider, Bureau of Treasury and Landbank Electronic Payment and Collection System (ePCS ) for the use of Dragonpay's Online payment and other related services was signed on July 6, 2015.</i></p> <p><i>The Commission pilot-tested the Online Application System, Online Registration and Renewal System, Online Appointment/Scheduling System and Electronic Payment and Collection System in December 2015 and planned to formally launch the project upon approval by DOST.. Further, for the Phase 2 project, the Commission has already hired two (2) Consultants to develop the modules for the Test Question Databank System (TQDS), Correction and Releasing System (CRS), Legal Management Information System (LMIS) and Continuing Professional Development Accreditation System (CPDAS) sub-systems.</i></p> |
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