



**RESOLUTION NO. 1472**  
Series of 2022

**RESCHEDULING THE JANUARY 2022 PRACTICAL PHASE OF THE DENTISTS LICENSURE EXAMINATION IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION (NCR) TO MARCH 01-04 AND 08-11, 2022 AND OPENING OF ONLINE APPLICATION SYSTEM TO ACCOMMODATE THE EXAMINEES IN THE NCR WHO FAILED TO APPLY FOR THE PRACTICAL EXAMINATION**

**WHEREAS**, Section 7 (d) of Republic Act 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 and to determine and fix the places and dates of examinations;

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 1447 (s. 2021) was issued rescheduling the November and December 2021 Dentists Licensure Examination to January 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11, 2022 (Practical Phase) and January 12, 13 & 14, 2022 (Theoretical Phase) and opening other testing centers in addition to the NCR;

**WHEREAS**, on December 31, 2021, the Office of the President announced that the alert level classification of the NCR has escalated to Alert Level 3 effective January 03, 2022 until January 15, 2022, pursuant to the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) Resolution No. 155 (s. 2021);

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to IATF-EID Resolution No. 155 (s. 2021), the conduct of licensure examinations shall still be allowed under Alert Level 3 at a maximum of thirty percent (30%) indoor venue capacity for fully vaccinated individuals. Provided, that the organizers of the activity [in this case, the Professional Regulatory Board of Dentistry (Board) and the Commission examination personnel concerned] are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and that there is no objection from the Local Government Unit where the examination will take place;

**WHEREAS**, the sudden change in the alert level classification of the NCR could result to possible (intrazonal and interzonal) movement restrictions on the part of some of the examinees;

**WHEREAS**, while the thirty percent (30%) capacity limitation could minimize the health risk to some extent, the Board takes into consideration that, unlike the conventional written examination, the Practical Phase of the Dentists Licensure Examination requires examinees to physically move around<sup>1</sup> the examination room, thereby, exposing them to possible close contact with their fellow examinees;

**WHEREAS**, given the sudden change mentioned, there is no sufficient time to undertake the necessary arrangements with the schools/testing sites in order to comply with the thirty percent (30%) capacity requirement for the January 2022 Practical Phase of the Dentists Licensure Examination;

**WHEREAS**, upon evaluation of the surrounding circumstances, the Board and the Licensure Office deemed it necessary to recommend to the Commission to reschedule the January 2022 Practical Phase of the Dentists Licensure Examination to March 2022;

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<sup>1</sup> e.g. moving from their assigned seats to go to the laboratory room for mounting and trimming their master cast and curing their VLC

**WHEREAS**, some of the examinees who registered in the Theoretical Phase were not able to register online in the Practical Phase of the Dentists Licensure Examination and, considering that the Dentists Licensure Examination is a complete examination, the Online Application System must be reopened to accommodate them;

**WHEREFORE**, premises considered, the Commission **RESOLVES**, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, to **RESCHEDULE** the January 6-11, 2022 **PRACTICAL PHASE OF THE DENTISTS LICENSURE EXAMINATION** in the **NCR** to **March 01-04 and 08-11, 2022**;

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that the **THEORETICAL PHASE OF THE DENTISTS LICENSURE EXAMINATION** in the **NCR** shall proceed as scheduled;

**RESOLVED FURTHERMORE**, that both the **PRACTICAL** and **THEORETICAL PHASES OF THE DENTISTS LICENSURE EXAMINATION** in **Baguio, Cebu, Davao, and Iloilo** shall proceed as scheduled; and

**RESOLVED FINALLY**, that the online application system be reopened from **January 06, 2022 to January 19, 2022** to accommodate the examinees in the NCR who registered in the Theoretical Phase but failed to apply in the Practical Phase of the Dentists Licensure Examination.

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

Done in the City of Manila this 5<sup>th</sup> day of January 2022.

  
**TEOFILO S. PILANDO JR.**  
Chairman

  
**JOSE Y. CUETO JR.**  
Commissioner

**(VACANT)**  
Commissioner