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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO: 2021-03-22-053

TO : COMPONENT SOCIETIES, SPECIALTY DIVISIONS, SUB-SPECIALTY AND AFFILIATE SOCIETIES

CC : NATIONAL OFFICERS AND BORAD OF GOVERNORS

SUBJECT : EXPOSED EMAIL ADDRESSES

DATE : MARCH 22, 2021

This is to inform everyone that the PMA has received a formal complaint last Saturday, March 20, 2021, regarding the exposure of the email addresses of hundreds of individual doctors in a campaign material that was released a few days before the PMA National Elections.

This complaint was immediately reported to the National Privacy Commission via phone call and we were strongly advised then to submit a written report, as email addresses are considered to be sensitive personal information and so this matter should not be taken lightly.

We would also like to inform you that the PMA Secretariat is well-oriented with the data privacy policies thru the PMA Data Privacy Manual that was in place already since 2019. An internal memorandum was also released to them last March 16, 2021, reminding them to use only BCC when sending emails to large groups, so that the email addresses of the individual data subjects stay hidden and protected. All PMA employees have also signed a Non-Disclosure Agreement and are aware of the serious consequences of unauthorized disclosure of the personal data of the PMA members.

I also urge our dear doctors to practice the same prudence, not just when sending emails, but also in the protection of one's personal data as a whole.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention. As regards the data privacy issue, you can rest assured that we will follow up and update you with the response of the NPC once they have reviewed the report that we will submit today.

Respectfully,


JEHAN ANGELES-MANGAHIS
Executive Director/Data Protection Officer

Noted by:


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