MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO: 2022-12-13-25

TO: ALL PMA MEMBERS

SUBJECT: PROFESSIONAL REGULATION COMMISSION
RESOLUTION NO. 1577 SERIES OF 2022

DATE: DECEMBER 13, 2022

Dear Colleagues:

Warmest greetings from the Philippine Medical Association!

Please see attached the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) Resolution Number 1577 Series of 2022 “Extending the Acceptance of the Undertaking for the Renewal of Professional Identification Card (PIC) until December 31, 2023” Provided, that the execution of undertaking shall not constitute as a waiver of the CPD compliance and that such compliance shall be completed on the next renewal cycle.

For your information and guidance.

Thank you!

RICARDO A. BATAC, MD
Chairman, PMA CPD Commission

Noted by:

MARIANNE L. ORDOÑEZ - DOBLES, MD
Secretary General

MARIA MINERVA P. CALIMAG, MD
President

FERNANDO E. CERCENIA, MD
Executive Assistant to the President
EXTENDING THE ACCEPTANCE OF CPD UNDERTAKING FOR THE RENEWAL OF PROFESSIONAL IDENTIFICATION CARD (PIC) UNTIL 31 DECEMBER 2023

WHEREAS, the Professional Regulation Commission (Commission) is mandated under Republic Act (RA) No. 8981 or the “PRC Modernization Act” to perform any and all acts, enter into contracts, make such rules and regulations and issue such orders and other administrative issuances as may be necessary in the execution and implementation of its functions and the improvement of its services;

WHEREAS, Section 10, Article III of RA No. 10912 or the “CPD Act of 2016” states that the CPD is hereby made as a mandatory requirement in the renewal of the Professional Identification Cards (PICs) of all registered and licensed professionals under the regulation of the Commission;

WHEREAS, due to the Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) crisis, the President issued Proclamation No. 922 (s 2020) declaring a State of Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines and Proclamation No. 1218 (s 2021) Further Extending the Period of State of Calamity Throughout the Philippines Due to Corona Virus Disease 2019 Declared under Proclamation No. 1021 (s 2020) until 12 September 2022, unless earlier or extended as circumstances may warrant;

WHEREAS, on 04 June 2022, the IATF issued the Guidelines on the Nationwide Implementation of Alert Level System for Covid-19 Response as the new community quarantine classifications;

WHEREAS, to ease the process of PIC renewals, the Commission during the initial implementation of the CPD Act of 2016 started to accept the Undertaking of professionals who failed to comply with the CPD requirement by requiring them “to submit the balance of xxx CPD credit units in addition to the xxx required CPD units (or a total of xxx units) in the next renewal of the PIC”;

WHEREAS, on 18 November 2021, the Commission issued Resolution No. 1444-A (s 2021) extending the acceptance of the Undertaking until 31 December 2022;

WHEREAS, in view of the continued threats of COVID-19 that may still hamper compliance with the CPD requirements this year, there is a need for the Commission to consider extending further the acceptance of the Undertaking for the benefit of many professionals;

NOW THEREFORE, the Commission hereby RESOLVES, as it is now RESOLVED, to extend the acceptance of the Undertaking until 31 December 2023. Provided, that the execution of Undertaking shall not constitute as a waiver of the CPD compliance and that such compliance shall be completed on the next renewal cycle.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval.

Done this __27th__ day of __September__ 2022 in the City of Manila.

(vacant)
Chairman

JOSE Y. CUETO, JR.
Acting Chairperson

ERWIN M. ENAD
Commissioner