



Republic of the Philippines
Professional Regulation Commission
Manila



PROFESSIONAL REGULATORY BOARD OF MEDICINE

RESOLUTION NO. 22
Series of 2019

PROMULGATION OF THE TABLE OF SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE SUBJECTS IN THE QUALIFYING ASSESSMENT OF FOREIGN MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS (FMPs)

WHEREAS, Republic Act (R.A.) No. 2382 or “The Medical Act of 1959” provides for and shall govern the standardization and regulation of medical education; examination for registration of physicians; and the supervision, control and regulation of the practice of medicine in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, Section 17 of R.A. No. 2382 provides that the Board of Medical Examiners, with the approval of the Professional Regulation Commission (Commission), shall promulgate rules and regulations necessary for the registration of physicians;

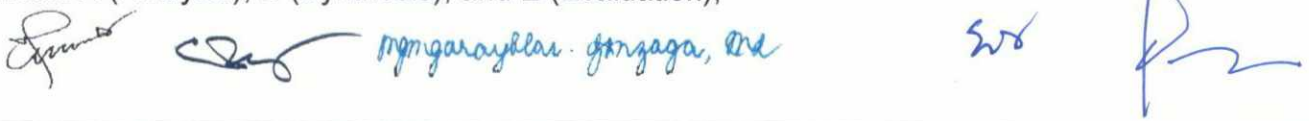
WHEREAS, Section 9 (h) of R.A. No. 8981, known as the “PRC Modernization Act of 2000”, empowers the Professional Regulatory Boards to prepare, adopt and issue the syllabi or table of specifications of the subjects for examinations in consultation with the academe; determine and prepare the questions for the licensure examinations which shall be strictly within the scope of the syllabus or table of specifications of the subject for the examination”;

WHEREAS, the Commission and the Department of Health (DOH) issued Joint Administrative Order No. 2015-01, entitled “Policies and Guidelines on the Conduct of Medical Residency and Fellowship Training Program for Foreign Medical Professionals in the Philippines”;

WHEREAS, Section 1, Rule 4 of the Implementing Guidelines of Joint Administrative Order No. 2015-01 provides for the role of the Professional Regulatory Board of Medicine (Board), as the Qualifying Assessor, to (A) prepare and administer the Qualifying Assessment Tool to determine the entry level qualifications of FMPs for medical residency or fellowship training, (B) issue Certificate of Passing the Qualifying Assessment to qualified FMP which shall thereafter be submitted to the training institution/hospital where the FMP has chosen to apply, and (C) recommend, subject to the approval of the Commission, the issuance of the Temporary Training Permit (TTP) to the FMP after the latter has been officially admitted to the training program of choice;

WHEREAS, Section 3, Rule 4 of the Implementing Guidelines of Joint Administrative Order No. 2015-01 provides for the coverage of the Qualifying Assessment which shall include the Clinical Practice of Medicine in various fields of discipline;

WHEREAS, the adoption of the TOS will appropriately incorporate the competencies covering the topics and sub-topics, or areas and sub-areas, or concepts and sub-concepts under the licensure examinations subjects. The TOS shall provide not only the percentage weights and number of items but also the levels of difficulty classified into and respectively described as Easy: K (Knowledge), Moderate: U (Understanding), C (Comprehension), Difficult: A (Analysis), B (Synthesis), and E (Evaluation);



WHEREAS, the TOS were refined by the Board with the assistance of the PRC Consultant for Test Construction and Development;

WHEREFORE, THE Board **RESOLVES**, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, to adopt and promulgate the Tables of Specification for the subjects in the Qualifying Assessment of FMPs (Annex A).

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution with the attached TOS (Annex A) shall be applied starting the September 2019 Qualifying Assessment of FMPs.

This Resolution and its Annex shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following its publication in the Official Gazette or in any newspaper of general circulation.

Let a copy hereof be deposited in the U.P. Law Center – Office of the National Administrative Register.

Done in the City of Manila this 31st day of July 2019.


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SUBJECT	NO. OF TEST ITEMS	PERCENTAGE
A MEDICINE – 16.67%		
1 Cardiovascular Diseases	12	12
2 Respiratory Diseases	10	10
3 Digestive Diseases	10	10
4 Endocrine Diseases	10	10
5 Hematologic/Immunologic/Oncologic Diseases	10	10
6 Neurologic Diseases	10	10
7 Renal Diseases	10	10
8 Rheumatology and Musculoskeletal Diseases	7	7
9 Infectious Diseases	8	8
10 Dermatologic Conditions	5	5
11 Psychiatric Disorders	5	5
12 Legal Medicine and Bioethics	3	3
Total	100	100%
B PEDIATRICS – 16.67%		
1 Newborn, nutrition, growth and development	10	10
2 Infectious Diseases	10	10
3 Respiratory Diseases	10	10
4 Cardiovascular/Collagen Diseases	10	10
5 Central Nervous System Diseases	10	10
6 Gastrointestinal Disease	10	10
7 Genito-urinary Disorders	10	10
8 Endocrine and metabolic Diseases	10	10
9 Hematologic and immunologic Diseases	10	10
10 Neoplastic/Oncologic/Genetic Disorder	10	10
Total	100	100%
C OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY – 16.67%		
1 Care of the pregnant woman	5	5
2 Obstetrical bleeding disorders	5	5
3 Labor, delivery and abnormal labor	10	10
4 Complications of pregnancy I: Preterm labor, Intrauterine Growth Restriction (IUGR), Malpresentation, Watery vaginal discharge, Young primigravida, Elderly primigravida, Multiple pregnancy	10	10
5 Complications of pregnancy II: Hypertension, Pre-eclampsia, Eclampsia, Gestational DM, Fetal distress	10	10
6 Complications of pregnancy III: Common Medical, Surgical and Gynecologic conditions	5	5
7 Complications of puerperium: Postpartum Hemorrhage and puerperal sepsis	5	5
8 OB-GYN: Infectious Diseases	10	10
9 OB-GYN: Neoplastic disease of vulva, vagina, cervix, uterus, tubes and ovaries	10	10
10 Gynecology: pediatric patient and congenital disorders of reproductive tract	5	5







11 Gynecology: Amenorrhea & endocrine disorders	5	5
12 Gynecology: Infertility	5	5
13 Gynecology: Family planning	5	5
14 Gynecology: Menopause	5	5
15 Gynecology: Abnormal uterine bleeding	5	5
Total	100	100%
D SURGERY – 16.67%		
1 Surgical Basic Principles	10	10
2 Head and Neck Surgery, Ophthalmology, Otorhinolaryngology	10	10
3 Thoracic and cardiovascular diseases	10	10
4 Abdomen I: esophagus, stomach, small intestines	10	10
5 Abdomen II: Biliary tract, liver, pancreas	10	10
6 Abdomen III: Colon, rectum, appendix, small bowel	10	10
7 Skin, soft tissue, breast, abdominal wall	10	10
8 Specialties: neurosurgery, plastic, anesthesia	10	10
9 Specialties: endocrine, genito-urinary	10	10
10 Specialties: Orthopedics, Pediatric surgery	10	10
Total	100	100%
E PHARMACOLOGY AND THERAPEUTICS – 16.67%		
1 Cardiovascular system diseases	12	12
2 Nervous system diseases	10	10
3 Psychiatric diseases	10	10
4 Respiratory diseases	12	12
5 Genito-urinary disorders	12	12
6 Digestive disorders	12	12
7 Endocrine diseases	12	12
8 Musculoskeletal diseases	12	12
9 Drugs for infectious diseases	8	8
Total	100	100%
F PATHOLOGY – 16.67%		
1 Basic Pathology	10	10
2 Developmental disorders	7	7
3 Neoplastic disorders	10	10
4 Immunopathologic disorders	7	7
5 Environmental and Nutritional disorders	7	7
6 Infectious diseases	8	8
7 Gastrointestinal disorders	10	10
8 Cardiovascular and collagen disorders	10	10
9 Respiratory diseases	10	10
10 Hematopoietic disorders	7	7
11 Endocrine disorders	7	7
12 Nervous disorders	7	7
Total	100	100%