



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

DANGEROUS DRUGS BOARD

BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 4
Series of 2020

SUBJECT: EXTENDING THE VALIDITY OF THE PROVISIONAL ACCREDITATION GRANTED TO PHYSICIANS AUTHORIZED TO CONDUCT DRUG DEPENDENCY EXAMINATION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR A PERIOD OF TWO (2) YEARS

WHEREAS, Dangerous Drugs Board issued Regulation No. 1, Series of 2019 (Subject: Implementing Rules and Regulations Governing the Accreditation of Drug Rehabilitation Practitioners) which provides for the provisional accreditation of physicians which allows them to conduct drug dependency examination pursuant to Republic Act No. 9165 or the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002, as amended, for a period of two (2) years;

WHEREAS, for the period of September to December 2018, three hundred and seventy – three (373) physicians were able to acquire provisional accreditation, but the same shall expire after two (2) years, or until the period of September to December 2020;

WHEREAS, given the COVID-19 pandemic and realignment of programs and resources towards addressing the same, training activities for the accreditation of physicians have been suspended;

WHEREAS, in a letter dated 18 May 2020 addressed to the Secretary Catalino S. Cuy, Chairman of the Dangerous Drugs Board, Secretary Francisco T. Duque, III of the Department of Health is requesting for a two – year extension to the provisional accreditation of physicians to avoid forfeiture of their existing accreditation and allow them to undergo additional training upon normalization of government operations;

WHEREAS, the extension shall ensure the immediate access to drug dependency examination conducted by the accredited physicians, which is an essential requirement in the treatment and rehabilitation of drug users and dependents, and other allied medical interventions.

THEREFORE, be it **RESOLVED**, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, that the provisional accreditation of all physicians pursuant to Regulation No. 1, Series of 2019 issued by the Board be extended for a period of two (2) years from the approval of this Resolution; Provided, that the extension shall only apply to physicians who have been granted provisional accreditation by the Department of Health prior to the approval of this Resolution.

APPROVED and **ADOPTED**, this 18th day of June in the year of our Lord, 2020 in Quezon City.


Secretary CATALINO S. CUY, CEO VI
Chairman, Dangerous Drugs Board

Attested by:


Undersecretary EARL P. SAAVEDRA, MPA
Secretary of the Board