



Republic of the Philippines
Professional Regulation Commission
Manila

RESOLUTION NO. 1602(A)
Series of 2023

**EXTENDING THE DEADLINE FOR FILING OF APPLICATIONS FOR THE
FEBRUARY 2023 RESPIRATORY THERAPISTS LICENSURE EXAMINATION
FROM JANUARY 06, 2023 TO JANUARY 20, 2023**

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, the Commission issued Resolution No. 1589 (s. 2022) scheduling the licensure examinations for the calendar year 2023, including the opening of online processing, deadlines for filing of applications, practical examinations, target dates of release of examination results. The Respiratory Therapists Licensure Examination (RTLE) is scheduled on February 05 and 06, 2023, and the deadline for filing of applications is on January 06, 2023;

WHEREAS, the Commission received requests to extend the deadline for filing of applications for the February 2023 RTLE due to the difficulty experienced by schools and applicant-examinees in processing and securing the required documents brought about by the suspension of work during the Yuletide Season and additional non-working days declared by the Office of the President;

WHEREAS, the Professional Regulatory Board of Respiratory Therapy and the Licensure Office agreed that it will be in the best interest of the applicant-examinees, the profession, and the public if such request will be given consideration by the Commission since the RTLE is conducted only once a year and the demand for health workers is high due to pandemic;

WHEREAS, the requested extension, if granted, will afford the applicants ample opportunity to prepare and submit their documentary requirements for the February 2023 RTLE;

WHEREFORE, premises considered, the Commission **RESOLVES**, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, to **EXTEND** the deadline for filing of applications to take the February 2023 RTLE from **JANUARY 06, 2023 to JANUARY 20, 2023**.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that all required application documents must be **SUBMITTED** to the Commission **on or before JANUARY 20, 2023**.

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

Done in the City of Manila this 6th day of January 2023.


CHARITO A. ZAMORA
Chairperson


JOSE Y. CUETO, JR.
Commissioner


ERWIN M. ENAD
Commissioner