DELINEATING THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE OF RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY FROM THAT OF X-RAY TECHNOLOGY

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WHEREAS, Sections 4 and 5 of R.A. No. 7431, known and cited as “Radiologic Technology Act of 1992”, provide the practice of X-ray Technology and Radiologic Technology, respectively;

WHEREAS, Section 3 of supra law defines X-ray Technology (A.) and Radiologic Technology (B.);

WHEREAS, X-ray technology shall be practiced by a duly registered and licensed X-ray Technologist; radiologic technology, by a duly registered and licensed Radiologic Technologist;

WHEREAS, a Radiologic Technologist can practice x-ray technology as the scope of his/her practice covers that of the former;

WHEREAS, an X-ray technologist cannot practice radiologic technology, inasmuch as his/her practice is limited only to that of x-ray technology;

WHEREAS, an X-ray technologist, albeit he/she is duly registered and licensed as such, who practices radiologic technology, or who goes beyond the scope of his practice, shall be held criminally liable under Section 26 (Penal Provision) of R.A. No. 7431 for violation thereof;

WHEREAS, some x-ray technologist have overlapped the practice of radiologic technology; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define and delineate the practice of x-ray technology from that of radiologic technology so as to address this overlapping of, or encroachment into, the area of the latter by the x-ray technologists;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board hereby RESOLVES, as it is hereby RESOLVED, to issue the hereunder guidelines on the practice of x-ray technology and radiologic technology:

1. X-ray technology as a branch of radiology shall deal with the technical application of x-rays as aid in the diagnosis of diseases and injuries in diagnostic radiography and mammography only.

2. Radiologic technology as a branch of radiology shall deal with the technical application of radiation such as x-rays, beta rays, gamma rays, ultra sound and radio frequency rays in the diagnosis and treatment of diseases which covers diagnostic radiography, CT scan, MRI, Nuclear Medicine, Mammography, interventional radiography and Radiotherapy.

3. Registered and licensed x-ray technologist shall practice any of the acts in Guideline 1. and registered and licensed Radiologic technologist shall practice any of the acts in Guideline 2.

4. Both shall render professional services on photochemistry, darkroom procedure, and film analysis as part of their competency areas in the respective fields of work.

5. Any registered and Licensed X-ray technologist who practices any technical application of radiation other than

x-rays as aid in the diagnosis of diseases and injuries or in diagnostic radiography and mammography or who practices technical application of radiation other than x-ray as enumerated in Guideline 2 shall be subject to a disciplinary action of revocation or suspension of his certificate of registration and a criminal penalty of fine or imprisonment, or both at the discretion of the court for violation of R.A. No. 7431 under Sec. 26 thereof.

This Resolution shall take effect after thirty (30) days following its full and complete publication thereof in any newspaper of general circulation in the Philippines.

Copies hereof shall be furnished to the Philippine Association of Radiologic Technologists, Inc., other associations of registered and licensed radiologic technologists and x-ray technologists, the PRC Regional Offices, the Department of Health, the Philippine Hospital Association, Inc. for dissemination to all concerned.

Adopted: 27 Sept. 2007

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