

**[PRC BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 14, S. OF 2008,
July 17, 2008]**

**CODE OF ETHICS FOR DENTISTS, DENTAL HYGIENISTS, AND
DENTAL TECHNOLOGISTS**

WHEREAS, ETHICS refers to, "A system of moral principles or values; the rules or standards governing the conduct of members of a profession, accepted principles of right or wrong;" and establishes the means of doing what is right, fair, and honest;

WHEREAS, the Professional Regulatory Board of Dentistry is empowered to "(i) [P]rescribe and/or adopt a Code of Ethics and a Code of Dental Practice for the practice of dentistry, dental hygiene, and dental technology" (*Sec 6. Powers and Functions of the Board*, Art. II of R.A. No. 9484, known as "The Philippine Dental Act of 2007");

WHEREAS, *Sec. 25 Code of Ethics and Code of Dental Practice of Dentists*, Art. IV of supra law, states, to wit: "xxx The Board shall adopt and promulgate the Code of Ethics and Code of Dental Practice for dentists, dental hygienists, and dental technologists prescribed and issued by accredited professional organization of dentists;"

WHEREAS, the Philippine Dental Association, Inc. (PDA), the professional organization of dentists accredited by the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC), after consultation with stakeholders, submitted a draft copy: "Proposed Amendments to the Philippine Code of Dental Ethics" to the Board for its consideration; and

WHEREAS, the Board, in consultation with stakeholders, deliberated over the provisions of the said draft, thereby enhancing, subsequently accepting, and embracing the same as part of the rules and regulations of the Board implementing R.A. No. 9484;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board resolves, as it is hereby resolved, to adopt and promulgate the Code of Ethics for Dentists, Dental Hygienists and Dental Technologists marked as Annex "A^[*]" and made an integral part of this Resolution.

This Resolution shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following the full and complete publication thereof in the Official Gazette, or in any newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines.

Let copy hereof be forwarded to PDA, Inc. and other dental organizations or societies for dissemination to all concerned.

Adopted: 17 July 2008

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