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To all PCP members in government,

The PCP and the PRC Specialty Divisions would like to reiterate the PRC and DOH declaration relegating PSMSI as a private organization under the PMA, devoid of any official designation in the Department of Health nor possessing the authority to certify or regulate the practice of any medical specialty in the private and government sectors.

Recently, a circular from the Secretariat of PSMSI has reached several groups announcing the deadline for the submission of applications on October 4, 2019 for an examination.

We strongly emphasize that any examination that will be held by PSMSI should only be conducted for the purpose of accepting new members to its roster and **NOT** as a tool for categorizing the level of proficiency of its current specialist members as this was lawfully designated to the PRC specialty divisions through its PRC admin resolution no. 25.

All PCP certified internists and specialists need **NOT** go through any examination as you have already been accorded as specialists upon passing the certifying board given by the eight specialty divisions duly recognized by the PRC, the only agency mandated to oversee the practice of the medical profession.

By and large, membership to any affiliate organization has always been voluntary and activities are aimed to promote camaraderie and advancement of its mission under the constitution and by-laws of its umbrella organization, the PMA.

We highly respect the PMA affiliate societies in this regard as they strive to improve the lives of our fellowmen by supporting highly meaningful advocacies.

To set the record straight, please feel free to check with the DOH HR office about your current appointment to clarify any questions you might have regarding your employment and official duties and responsibilities under the existing labor laws.

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