# [ PRC BOARD OF RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY RESOLUTION NO. 04, s. 1993, May 28, 1993 ]

# PROMULGATION OF A CODE OF PROFESSIONAL ETHICS FOR RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS AND X-RAY TECHNOLOGISTS

WHEREAS by virtue of its quasi-legislative (rule-making) power under Section 9 (g) and Section 13, the Board shall, subject to approval by the Commission, set ethical and professional standards for the practice of radiologic technology adopt the rules and regulations (Code of Professional Ethics) necessary to enforce such standards;

WHEREAS a Code of Professional Ethics for Registered Radiologic Technologists and Registered X-Ray Technologists is vital to their proper observance of ideal professional practice, behaviour, and relationship with their peers, employers and patients, the agency and members of allied professions, and state of society; and

WHEREAS the provisions of the Code were formulated and prescribed after consultation with the Philippine Association of Radiologic Technologists, Inc. (PART) - the accredited association of Radiologic Technologists and X-Ray Technologists and the Association of Colleges/Universities offering the course of Radiologic Technology, and the Bureau of Higher Education, Department of education, Culture and Sports (DECS),

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board hereby RESOLVED, as it so RESOLVES, to prescribe, promulgate, and adopt a Code of Professional Ethics for Radiologic Technologists and X-Ray Technologists (ANNEX "A").

FURTHER, RESOLVED, the herein Resolution, upon its approval by the Commission, shall take effect after one (1) month following its publication in the Official Gazette or any newspaper of general circulation.

Adopted: 28 May 1993

## (Sgd.) FORTUNATO C. GABON, JR. *Chairman*

Approved as part of the Rules and Regulations governing the regulation and practice of Radiologic Technology and X-Ray Technology.

(SGD.) HERMOGENES P. POBRE Commissioner

Annex "A"

Code of Ethics for Radiologic Technologists and X-Ray Technologists

#### Article I

#### Relation with the State and Society

SECTION 1. Radiologic Technologists and X-Ray Technologists should be aware of the supreme authority of the state and should adhere to the Constitution, R.A. No. 7431 and other laws, the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to such laws.

SECTION 2. They should, above all, consider the welfare and well-being of the public and the interest of the state.

SECTION 3. They are encouraged to involve themselves in civic affairs and cooperate with other organizations to promote the growth and welfare of the community.

#### Article II

### Relation with Patients/Clients

SECTION 1. Patients/Clients are the focus in the practice of Radiologic Technology and X-Ray Technology. Hence, Radiologic Technologists and X-Ray Technologists must at all times act with dignity and sincerity and must express genuine concern in the discharge of their work.

SECTION 2. They should keep in confidence any data or findings obtained in the performance of their duty. Disclosure, if warranted, should be done by the Radiologists concerned.

SECTION 3. They should not discriminate against anybody and should attend to all patients/clients regardless of creed, race, belief, or political affiliation.

SECTION 4. They should provide the highest level of technical knowhow in the performance of their work, employing courtesy, empathy, compassion, and privacy to the patient/client and his family. They should try to perform the examination within reasonable time to avoid the risk of repetition to minimize the radiation exposure to the patient.

#### Article III

### Relation with Other Allied Profession

SECTION 1. Radiologic Technologists and X-ray Technologists should bear in mind that heir profession is a public trust, and that they should at all times maintain and uphold the dignity and integrity of their profession and protect it from misinterpretation.

SECTION 2. They should not directly or indirectly assist in any unauthorized practices of the profession. They should report any violations of R.A. 7431, the rules and regulations and this Code of Ethics for registered Radiologic Technologists and X-Ray Technologists to the Board of Radiologic Technology.

SECTION 3. They should share information and experiences with their fellow paramedical professionals, participate, and be active members of the accredited