

Republic of the Philippines
TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
East Service Road, South Superhighway, Taguig City

96th TESDA BOARD MEETING

03 February 2017, 2:30 p.m.
7/F TESDA Board Room, Office of the Chair
Taguig City, Metro Manila

Resolution No. 2017-08

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**APPROVING AND PROMULGATING THE AMENDED TRAINING REGULATIONS
FOR MASSAGE THERAPY NC II**

WHEREAS, Section 14 (b) of Republic Act No. 7796 mandates that TESDA shall develop and establish a national system of skills standardization, testing and certification and conduct research and development on various occupational areas in order to recommend policies, rules and regulations for effective and efficient skills standardization, testing and certification system in the country;

WHEREAS, the Training Regulations for Massage Therapy NC II were approved and promulgated during the 49th TESDA Board Meeting on 20 April 2006 through TESDA Board Resolution No, 2006-09;

WHEREAS, both the Department of Health (DOH) and Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) agreed to harmonize and integrate the licensing of Massage Therapist and the assessment and certification for Massage Therapy NC II under the Joint Memorandum Circular 2015-001;

WHEREAS, it is the policy of TESDA to review Training Regulations (TRs) promulgated by the TESDA Board in the light of new industry trends and demands;

WHEREAS, industry experts and partners, and other organizations involved in massage therapy with the assistance of the Qualifications and Standards Office (QSO) of TESDA and the Department of Health (DOH), have developed, harmonized and endorsed the same for TESDA Board approval and the following organizations have validated the same: Philippine Chamber of Massage Industry for Visually Impaired, National Vocational Rehabilitation Center, Federation of Institutes of Massage Therapy in the Philippines, Heavenworks Healing Place, Asian Alternative and Wellness Development Center;

WHEREAS, during the 81st and 85th Standards-Setting and Systems Development (SSSD) Committee TESDA Board-TESDA Secretariat Meeting held on 11 November 2015 and 24 February 2016 respectively, the Committee favorably endorsed the promulgation of the above-mentioned Training Regulations for Massage Therapy NC II;

WHEREAS, the National Council on Disability Affairs (NCDA) endorsed these training regulations for TESDA Board approval in so far as its usage and applicability to persons with disabilities is concerned;



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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED,
that the TESDA Board in its meeting today, 03 February 2017 at 2:30 p.m.,
approves and promulgates the aforementioned Training Regulations for Massage
Therapy NC II as herein appended;


BE IT RESOLVED, FINALLY, that

(1) copies of this Resolution and the abovementioned Training Regulations be
published and disseminated to all concerned, and the same shall be effective
fifteen (15) days upon publication;


(2) All programs to be registered under these new Training Regulations must
comply with the requirements of the aforementioned Training Regulations. The
one-year period of registration under this new Training Regulations shall
commence on the date of effectivity as indicated in the Implementing Guidelines for
the deployment of the Training Regulations to be issued jointly by the Department
of Health and Technical Education and Skills Development Authority;

(3) Graduates of TVET programs covered by the aforementioned Training
Regulations shall be required to undergo mandatory assessment under the
national assessment and certification program.

Adopted this 3rd day of February 2017


ANNA LIZA A. DE GUZMAN
Acting TESDA Board Secretary

Attested by:


SEC. SILVESTRE H. BELLO III
Chairperson, TESDA Board
Secretary, Department of Labor and Employment