

## **Professional Ethics**

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;

The PRC Professional Regulatory Board of Dentistry is empowered to prescribe and/or adopt a Code of Ethics and a Code of Dental Practice for the practice of dentistry, dental hygiene, and dental technology. The Board, in consultation with stakeholders, deliberated over the provisions of Board Resolution No. 14 Series of 2008, thereby enhancing, subsequently accepting, and embracing the same as part of the rules and regulations of the Board implementing R.A. No. 9484 (The Philippine Dental Act of 2007).

The dentist's , dental hygienist's, and dental technologist's primary duty of serving the public is accomplished by giving his/ her professional service to the best of his/her capabilities in accordance with established standards of care and by conducting himself/herself in a manner befitting a professional of high esteem.

In Article III of the ASEAN Mutual Recognition Arrangement on Dental Practitioners, (RECOGNITION AND ELIGIBILITY OF FOREIGN DENTAL PRACTITIONERS), a Foreign Dental Practitioner who is allowed to practice dentistry in the Host Country shall be subjected to Domestic Regulations and conditions. They are bound by Professional and Ethical Codes of Conduct and standards of dental practice imposed by the PDRA of the Host Country; Likewise, has been certified by the PDRA of the Country of Origin of not having violated any professional or ethical standards, local and international, in relation to the practice of dentistry in the Country of Origin and in other countries as far as the PDRA is aware.

Code of Ethics for Dentists, Dental Hygienists and Dental Technologists