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ANNOUNCEMENT

1. PBR 3 has 3 parts.
 - a. The first part will be taken in the morning of Day 1 (January 23, 2022). This will be in lieu of the usual oral examinations. This will be conducted online as well. Examinees will be required to interpret and produce written reports of actual cases within a prescribed time. They will not be allowed to use templates.
 - b. The second part will be taken in the afternoon of Day 1 and is composed of the usual Aunt Minnie type of image-based examination.
 - c. The third part is the Oral Examinations conducted via Zoom on Day 2 (date to be announced).

2. Day 1 of PBR 3 will be taken either individually with an off-site proctor or as a group with an on-site proctor.

3. Report-writing Part (Day 1)
 - a. In the report-writing part, there will be 5 cases per subject which will be interpreted in 30 minutes. All cases should be answered and submitted before an examinee can start on the next subject. Examinees can review each case within the subject before submitting the answers. Review of the cases will no longer be allowed once the answers for that particular subject are submitted.
 - b. Unless specified, the examinee should write a concise report for each case focusing on the specific subject heading, keeping in mind the modality or procedure provided and including pertinent findings and if applicable, pertinent negatives as well. Incidental findings may be omitted. Indicate final impression and differential diagnoses if there are plausible differentials.
 - c. A case may have more than one image.
 - d. A case can also have more than one modality in which the examinee is expected to correlate the pertinent findings.
 - e. The reports will be graded according to a prescribed rubric in which an examinee can get a grade of 0 to 20 for each case.



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Rubric / criteria sheet / grading scheme / scoring guide

Criteria / standards		0 Unacceptable	1 Poor	2 Satisfactory	3 Good	4 Excellent	
1	Image description and pathology identification/ characterization	0	1	2	3	4	
2	Differential diagnosis	0	1	2	3	4	
3	Final Impression	0	1	2	3	4	
4	Reporting proficiency and efficiency	0	1	2	3	4	
5	Overall Readability	0	1	2	3	4	
Total							20

4. Aunt Minnie Part

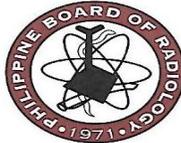
- a. Composed of 100 items randomly presented.
- b. Unless specified, the examinee should write the diagnosis in the space provided.
- c. Some items may ask for a radiologic sign/s instead of the diagnosis.
- d. Be mindful of the subject heading in every item.
- e. Do not using emoticons, punctuation marks or unnecessary spaces.
- f. Aunt Minnie questions usually correspond to just one specific diagnosis, hence differential diagnoses are not required unless specifically asked.
- g. Laterality is not required unless specified. Example, “Bronchogenic carcinoma” is acceptable and there is no need to specify laterality, unless it is asked for in that particular item.
- h. Do not use abbreviations. Answers such as AP or AA are not allowed.
- i. Answers must be spelled correctly.



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5. Oral Examinations

- a. This part will be online conducted via Zoom.
- b. After checking the examinees' answers in the written examination on Day 1, the examinees will be classified based on their scores into Passed, Failed, or Recall. Examinees who have successfully passed the Written Examinations in Day 1 and examinees who have failed outright will NOT have to take the Oral examinations on Day 2. Only those considered for Recall will take the oral examination. **The list of examinees warranting Oral examinations will be announced no later than January 27, 2022.** The time and date of the examination, including the Zoom details, will be sent individually to the examinees through the PCR Secretariat.
- c. The examinees can take the oral examinations in any secure and private location where there is reliable internet connection and where the examinee can be alone.
- d. *No local proctors are required for the oral examinations.*
- e. The examinee will be expected to describe and diagnose cases in the oral examination.
- f. Side questions may be asked on topics ranging from and not limited to pathophysiology, clinical presentation, or even demographics.
- g. The results of the oral examinations will determine if the examinee passes or fails the entire PBR 3 examination.



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6. Schedule of examinations.

PBR 3

January 23, 2022 (Sunday)

6:30 to 7:30 am	Setting up time, log-in period, verifications, checking of venues, and reminders
7:30 to 8:00 am	Neurology, Head & Neck Imaging Case Reporting (5 cases)
8:00 to 8:30 am	Cardiovascular Imaging Case Reporting (5 cases)
8:30 to 9:00 am	Women's Imaging Case Reporting (5 cases)
9:00 to 9:30 am	Genitourinary Imaging Case Reporting (5 cases)
9:30 to 10:00 am	Break
10:00 to 10:30 am	Gastrointestinal Imaging Case Reporting (5 cases)
10:30 to 11:00 am	Musculoskeletal Imaging Case Reporting (5 cases)
11:00 to 11:30 am	Pediatric Imaging Case Reporting (5 cases)
11:30 to 12:00 nn	Pulmonary Imaging Case Reporting (5 cases)
12:00 to 1:00 pm	Lunch Break
1:00 to 3:00 pm	Aunt Minnies