

ORTHOPAEDIC RESIDENCY TRAINING IN THE PHILIPPINES

The Philippine Board of Orthopaedics Inc., is the accrediting body of the Philippine Orthopaedic Association. To accredits and monitors the different training programs in the Philippines. There are 5 members of the board. For 1991 the following are the members of the board.

Chairman	- Dr. Jesus Duenas
Vice chairman	- Dr. Ellewellyn G. Pasion
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Members	- Dr. Henry Chua
	- Dr. Ramon Celo

As of 1990-1991 - there are eleven (11) accredited training hospitals for orthopaedics, each of which offer a 4 year residency training. They are the following.

1. University of the Philippines - Philippine General Hospital (UP-PGH), Department of Orthopaedics Taft Ave., Manila
2. Philippine Orthopaedic Center, Banawe St., Quezon City
3. Jose Reyes Memorial Medical Center, Department of Orthopaedics - Rizal Ave., Manila
4. Philippine Orthopaedic Institute, Makati, Metro-Manila
5. University of Santo Thomas, Department of Orthopaedics, Espana, Metro-Manila
6. Veterans Memorial Medical Center, Department of Orthopaedics - Quezon city
7. V. Luna Gen. Hospital (AFPMC), Department of Orthopaedics - Quezon city
8. West Visayas Medical Center, Department of Orthopaedics - Iloilo city
9. Davao Regional Medical Center, Department of Orthopaedics - Davao city
10. Baguio General Hospital, Department of Orthopaedics - Baguio city
11. Southern Island Medical Center, Department of Orthopaedics - Cebu city

The PBO conducts annually an in-service training examination in July. All orthopaedic residents-in-training are required to take the examination. This serves as an assessment or evaluation on how the residents in the different year level of training compare to the rest of the total population of orthopaedic residents on percentile basis. For the senior residents or the 4th year graduating residents, the in- service training examination serves as the qualifying examination preparatory to diplomate examinations.

The diplomate examination are conducted once annually in October. It consists of a written, oral and practical examination, given on 3 different days. Those candidate who passed the diplomate examinations are considered diplomates of orthopaedics and are already entitled to apply for fellowship to the Philippine Orthopaedic Association, a year after passing it.

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