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PCG DENTAL SERVICE BADGE

I. REFERENCE:

- a. HPCG Circular No. 06-10 dated 25 May 2010 "PCG Awards and Decorations
- b. AFP Uniform Code
- c. PNP Health Service Operational and Administrative Manual

II. PURPOSE:

To set the physical description and attributes of the Coast Guard Dental Service Insignia and prescribe policies / guidelines for its use.

III. OBJECTIVE:

To provide the Coast Guard Dental Service with eligibility badge uniquely designed to be worn by authorized personnel assigned within its Unit.

IV. COVERAGE:

This circular applies to all Coast Guard Dental Service personnel who are qualified to use the PCG Dental Service Badge.

V. CGDS BADGE:

A1. Illustration

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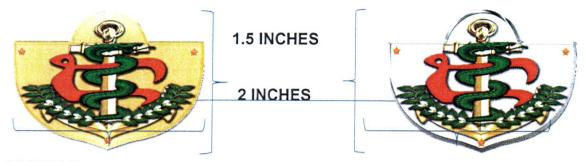
OFFICERS



NON - OFFICERS



A2. Measurement:



B. DESCRIPTION:

A three-cornered outline with three gold stars on its apices; a golden anchor with an entwined green serpent on shank and an orange letter "D" on ancient *alibata* script, with two sprigs of Philippine national flower *sampaguita leaves* with thirty-two (32) leaves and twenty (20) flower buds at the bottom of the anchor.

The design of the badge depicts the following elements:

- 1. **Three Stars:** denote Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao, which symbolize the national mandate of the Philippine Coast Guard on maritime concerns, an attainment that is emulated by Coast Guard Dental Service in its mission of achieving country-wide coverage with regards to dental health care matters.
- 2. **Golden Anchor:** symbolic of Naval and Coast Guard tradition, which signifies support, strength and stability.
- 3. Green Serpent: represents the symbol of healing in medicine.
- 4. Ancient alibata script "D" (orange): a symbol of Dentistry.
- 5. Thirty Two (32) Sampaguita Leaves: represent a full set (32) of permanent teeth.
- 6. Twenty (20) Sampaguita Flower Buds: represent a full set of primary/milk teeth.
- 7. Metal Frame: Gold is for Officers while Silver is for Non-Officers.

VI. POLICIES:

A. Eligibility Requirements: Uniformed personnel

1. Officers:

- a. Professional Regulation Commission License Holder for Doctor of Dental Medicine
- b. Duly commissioned with the rank of Coast Guard Lieutenant Senior Grade (CG LTSG)
- c. At least 6 months assigned at Coast Guard Dental Service

2. Non - Officers:

- a. Attended and completed the CGDS Basic Dental Technician Course.
- b. Personnel who have not undergone CGDS Basic Dental Technician Course but a graduate of two (2) years degree Dental Technician Course or Dental Hygienist Course from any accredited training and educational facility.
- c. At least 6 months assigned at Coast Guard Dental Service
- B. Only qualified uniformed personnel assigned at Coast Guard Dental Service are allowed to wear the CGDS Badge.

VII. AUTHORITY:

Awarded by the Commander, Coast Guard Dental Service to eligible CGDS uniformed personnel via Unit's Special Order.

VIII. PROCEDURE:

- 1. Uniformed personnel who have completed stated requirements will be awarded the PCG Dental Service Badge via the issuance of appropriate order coming from CGDS Admin & Personnel Branch duly approved by the Commander, Coast Guard Dental Service.
- 2. Said personnel will be allowed to wear the CGDS Badge on the duration of their tour of duty within the PCG.
- 3. The insignia can be worn with the following PCG uniforms:
 - a. GOA (metal badge)
 - b. Bush Coat (metal badge)
 - c. Service Blouse (metal badge)
 - d. Battle Dress Uniform (embroidered badge)
- 4. Its placement over the said uniforms will follow the prescribed PCG regulation.
- 5. Unauthorized or improper use of the said badge shall be dealt with corresponding penalty, subject to CGDS Disciplinary Board.

IX. TRANSITORY PROVISIONS:

Upon approval and effectivity of this circular:

- 1. Dental Officers are automatically awarded the Coast Guard Dental Service Badge.
- 2. PCG Dental service personnel who have completed the above-cited requirements shall be qualified for this award.

X. RESCISSION:

All other Circulars and policies in conflict with this circular are hereby rescinded.

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XI. EFFECTIVITY:

This circular shall take effect upon publication.

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