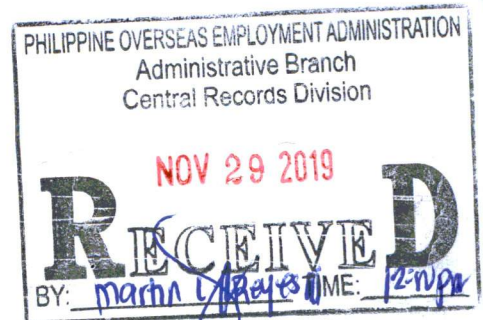




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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 16
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TO : ALL CONCERNED

SUBJECT : GUIDELINES ON THE QUALIFICATIONS OF CAREWORKERS
UNDER THE TECHNICAL INTERN TRAINING PROGRAM OF
JAPAN

DATE : 25 November 2019

Pursuant to the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Act on Proper Technical Intern Training and Protection of Technical Intern Trainees (Ordinance of the Ministry of Justice and Ordinance of the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare No. 3 of 2016) of Japan, the following guidelines are hereby issued:

1. Technical intern trainees who are starting the 2nd year of training and have not yet completed one of the following language proficiency requirements (Pass N3 Level of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test or its practical test equivalence; Score 400 or more in the A-D level test of the J. TEST (Test of Practical Japanese) or its practical test equivalence; Pass at least level 3 of the Japanese language NAT-TEST or its practical test equivalence) shall be allowed to continue staying in Japan until they finish the 3rd year of training, provided that they meet the following requirements:
 - a. They must express their will to study the Japanese language continuously for the purpose of the proper mastery of their skills in care work.
 - b. They must study the Japanese language under the facility where their technical intern training is being conducted.
2. In order to qualify for the 4th year of technical intern training, the trainee must complete one of the following language proficiency requirements within the first 3 years of training in Japan:
 - a. Pass N3 Level of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test or its practical test equivalence;

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- b. Score 400 or more in the A-D level test of the J. TEST (Test of Practical Japanese) or its practical test equivalence;
- c. Pass at least level 3 of the Japanese language NAT-TEST or its practical test equivalence.

These guidelines shall form part of Department Order No. 188-B, Series of 2018, and shall take effect immediately.



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