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#### DID YOU KNOW?

PAMET BAGUIO-BENGUET-MT. PROVINCE CHAPTER was founded on September 1970. It was the first chapter organized outside of the National Capital Region and the second in the entire country. Its first chapter president was Atty. Cesar J. Villena with only around 12 initial members. It was originally named as PAMET Baguio-Benguet and renamed as PAMET-CAR with the integration of other provinces in CAR however in March 30, 2019, with the formation of independent chapters of Abra, Ifugao, Kalinga, and Apayao, it was renamed to PAMET Baguio-Benguet-Mt. Province Chapter, via a referendum.





#### **RENEW OR APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP NOW!**

For PAMET BBMP Membership new application and renewal, click this link to access the membership form and registration details: https://bit.ly/bbmpmember.

ONE YEAR VALIDITY (September 2024 - September 2025)

NEW MEMBERS: Php450.00 RENEWAL: Php350.00

THREE-YEAR VALIDITY:
NEW MEMBER: Php1,000.00
RENEWAL : Php 900.00



#### rHIVda PROFICIENCY TRAINING HELD IN BAGUIO

PAMET BBMP conducted the first rHIVda Proficiency Training from May 6-10, 2024, with the initial two days held online and the subsequent three days in person at Ating Tahanan, South Drive, Baguio City.

This training, attended by fifty-nine participants from various regions of the country, aimed to enhance the skills and knowledge of medical technologists in rHIVda, following the Department of Health's Memorandum Circular for the institutionalization of rHIVda sites nationwide.

Dr. Robert Reyes from NRL-SACCL led his team facilitating the three-day face-to-face training. He was joined by his team namely, Mr. Carlo Joseph Sangco, Mr. Augustus Ceasar Abrajano, Ms. Janine Navarro, and Ms. Ashella Ramos, all from NRL-SACCL, as well as Mr. Darwin Fabros from San Lazaro Hospital who assisted as a facilitator.

Certified local facilitators also supported the training, including Diego L. Ofiaza from MMMHMC, Emilee L. Cuison from the City Health Services Office-Baguio, Holiday Ann V. Mamuyac from BGHMC, Leahbelle H. Tan from Benguer Laboratories, and Irene Y. Baltan from Luis Hora Memorial Regional Hospital.

A highlight of the event was a lively fellowship held after the participant's graduation, adding a fun and engaging element to the training experience. Special prizes were given to the top five of the training. •





#### PAMET BBMP CONCLUDES FIRST QUARTER CPD SEMINAR

On March 9, 2024, PAMET BBMP hosted its first quarter CPD seminar at Chalet Baguio Hotel, Military Cut-Off, Baguio City. The event, filled with fun, learning, and bonding, was led by two of Baguio's finest and most sought-after speakers on Leadership and Personality Development.

Aptly entitled as, "Empowering Workplace Communication: Harnessing the Power of Public Speaking and Emotional Intelligence", the seminar aimed to help medical technologists unlock their potential and confidence in public speaking, providing practical approaches for addressing both small and large audiences. Recognizing that public speaking is a common fear, the seminar focused on exploring the transformative potential of effective communication.

Ms. Jamielyn A. Yaneza, the resource speaker for the topic, "Mastering Public Speaking Skills for Medical Technologists: Building Confidence and Communicating with Impact", successfully brought out the hidden potentials of the participants. She emphasized that public speaking is not something to fear. The activity included an extemporaneous speaking segment three volunteers showcased their newfound public speaking abilities.

Ms. Reyness Joy R. Abellada, in her session on "Emotional Intelligence in the Workplace", shared valuable techniques and strategies for dealing with workplace toxicity. She highlighted the importance of emotional intelligence in fostering better work relationships and bridging gaps between individuals.

Credited with 5.5 CPD units, the hybrid seminar was attended by sixty-eight in person participants and 1,480 virtual participants. The live broadcast was expertly managed by Progressive Productivity Solutions, led by its Technical Director, Mr. Joe B. Sarsoza and his team.

### OATHTAKING CEREMONY FOR MARCH MTLE BOARD PASSERS

on April 28, 2024, the Newtown Plaza Convention Center was abuzz with excitement and pride as 402 new medical technologists gathered for their oathtaking ceremony. The event was graced by the presence of esteemed guests, including the honorable Mayor Benjamin B. Magalong of Baguio City, who served as Guest of Honorand Speaker.

Mayor Magalong, in his address, highlighted the crucial role of medical technologists in society, particularly praising their unwavering contributions during the challenging times of the pandemic. He commended their dedication, resilience, and the indispensable support they provided to the healthcare system.



Dr. Marilyn Cabal-Barza, Chair of the PRC-Professional Regulatory Board of Medical Technology, delivered a heartfelt message to the inductees. She emphasized the importance of upholding the standards and ethics of the profession, reminding the oathtakers of their responsibilities and the trust placed in them by the public. Dr. Barza then administered the Oath of Professionals, officially welcoming the inductees into the esteemed ranks of medical technologists.

The ceremony continued with PRBoMT member, Dr. Leila Lany M. Florento leading the recitation of the Code of Ethics. Following this, Ms. Luella A. Vertucio, PAMET National President, guided the new members through the "Panunumpa ng Kasapi", an oath of membership to PAMET, reinforcing their commitment to the professional community.

Hon. Juanita L. Domogen, Regional Director of PRC CAR, extended a warm welcome to all attendees, offering words of encouragement and inspiration. As the ceremony drew to a close, Mr. Oliver Shane R. Dumaoal, Chair Committee on Chapters, delivered a wisdom-filled closing message. He candidly addressed the challenges that lie ahead in the professional world, urging the new medical technologists to harness their knowledge, skills, and perseverance to navigate these obstacles successfully.

The event also celebrated the achievements of board topnotchers, Jed Cangsan (Rank 2) and Eriza Joy Tambalque (Rank 6), both from Saint Louis University (SLU). Their presence served as inspiration to their fellow inductees, demonstrating the heights of success that can be reached through hard work and dedication. SLU was also recognized as the 4th Top Performing School in the March Medical Technology Licensure Examination, adding pride to the occasion.

The oathtaking ceremony was a memorable and momentous event, marking the beginning of a new chapter for the 402 medical technologists. It was a day filled with inspiration, and a reaffirmation of their commitment to the noble profession of medical technology.





INNOVATIVE HORIZONS: CPD SEMINAR UNLOCKS NEW CAREER PATHS FOR MEDTECH PROFESSIONALS

The second quarter CPD seminar was held on June 8, 2024 at Prince Plaza Hotel, Legarda Road, Baguio City. Entitled "Exploring Innovative Frontiers in Medtech: Entrepreneurship, Vet Lab Science, Forensic Chemistry, and Green Lab Sustainability", the event brought together eighty-three (83) F2F participants from the Chapter, the Ilocos Region, and even a few from Southern Luzon. The seminar aimed to introduce medical technologists to opportunities beyond traditional laboratory settings, opening career paths in fields that are not often heard of.

Ms. Jean T. Balquin, Lab Manager of Ocean showed pportunities in Veterinary Adventure Laboratory, presenting the challenging but exciting world of handling marine patients. Dr. Jun C. Corpuz, a faculty of the University of Baguio highlighted the role of medical technologists in Forensic Chemistry and Toxicology as key element of crime investigation. Dr. Ralliegh F. Vizcarra emohasized the need to venture on Entrepreneurship as a fallback career, encouraging medical technologists to consider starting their own businesses instead of solely relying on desk jobs or clinical practice. Mr. Oliver Shane R. Dumaoal underscored the value of minimizing our carbon footprints and waste generations, advocating for sustainability initiatives within laboratories and workplaces to help preserve the environment.

The seminar provided invaluable insights, encouraging participants to think out of the box and explore the limitless boundaries of medical technology profession.







#### **MEMBERSHIP CORNER**

As of April 2024, PAMET BBMP has 464 active members. This number underscores BBMP's commitment to provide the best and wholistic CPD seminars and trainings for its member. The Chapter during its inception, started with only 11 members in 1970.

For membership concerns, reach out to Ms. Holiday Ann V. Mamuyac at the Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center.









#### **SAVE THE DATE FOR SECOND SEMESTER 2024**

PAMET BBMP has laid out its 2nd Semester activities:

July 20, 2024 Basic Life Support Training
August 24-26, 2024 Post-Graduate Course in
Diagnostic Parasitology
Sept. 15-21, 2024 Medical Technology Week

Celebration

September 21, 2024 Oathtaking Ceremony of New

Medical Technologists (August

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October 26, 2024 54th Founding Anniversary and

18th Chapter Conference

November (TBD) CMT Leadership Training
December 2024 Year-end CPD Seminar and

Christmas Get-together

\*\*DECEMBER 2-4, 2024 PAMET ANNUAL CONVENTION