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VACCINATION OF EXAMINEES AGAINST COVID-19

For the protection of the bar personnel and examinees, we encourage our approved bar applicants to avail of the free vaccination offered by their respective local government units. Persons eligible for vaccination include the following:

Priority group A2: Senior citizens

Priority group A3: Persons with comorbidities

Priority group A4: Frontline personnel in essential sectors, including:

1. Private sector workers required to be physically present at their designated workplaces outside their residences;
2. Employees in government agencies and instrumentalities, including government-owned and controlled corporations and local government units; and
3. Informal sector workers and self-employed who may be required to work outside their residences, and those working in private households.

We are working with the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) to include in the country's vaccination program bar applicants who do not fall under any of the above categories. We have had positive discussions with the Vaccine Czar regarding this request.

The Bar Chairperson, with the support of the Court *En Banc*, aims to have all the approved Bar applicants fully vaccinated before November.


In the meantime, we strongly encourage every bar applicant who fall under the priority groups to get vaccinated as soon as possible.

We are also working on the possible procurement of COVID-19 testing kits for bar examinees.

The COVID-19 protocols for the Bar Examinations in November will be announced in early October, when we have an informed view of the possible situation at that time. We have also been preparing for various scenarios and actively monitoring developments from several credible sources.

Keep safe and well, study with passion, help others, and do not spread false information. Advise those who do so or burden others by broadcasting their needless anxiety that they are doing everyone a disservice.

Focus on all you must do today. We are properly engaged. We have you covered.



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