

Memorandum of Agreement

between

College of Pastoral Supervision and Psychotherapy, Inc. (CPSP)

and

**Collegium of Pastoral Supervision and Psychotherapy-- Philippines, Inc.
(CPSP-Philippines)**

The following items are agreed upon:

- I. CPSP-Philippines is a separate legal entity from CPSP, having a unique historical relationship that continues into the present in terms of ministerial partnership and training support. It is the desire of both organizations to seek to work in a manner that is mutually supportive to build as much as possible common standards and practices regarding chaplaincy, pastoral counseling, and clinical pastoral care.
- II. CPSP and CPSP-Philippines will act to develop similar standards of training and practice with respect for each organization's on cultures and languages.
 - o A Steering Committee (known as the "Standards Committee" by CPSP-Philippines) is established and maintained by CPSP-Philippines and approved by CPSP that acts to set standards that are similar to CPSP Standards, with appropriate contextualization to the Southeast Asian context.
 - o The standards of CPSP-Philippines will be reviewed internally at least biennially and changes will be made available to CPSP for review.
 - o The CPSP-Philippines standards are effectively enforced by the Steering/Standards Committee, with the support of the Board of Trustees and Governing Council, and executed by the chapters of CPSP-Philippines.
- III. CPSP-Philippines as a separate organization can do accreditation of training centers and establishment of chapters in Southeast Asia. Additionally it can set up outside consultation as well as certification boards up to the level of Clinical Chaplain and Pastoral Counselor. However, CPSP-Philippines will not act to certify to higher levels without assistance/oversight from CPSP.
- IV. The supervisor-in-training (SIT) program of CPSP-Philippines will be done in partnership with CPSP based on the following:
 - o CPSP will provide SIT supervision for CPSP-Philippines, as much as possible, as well as training supervisors for SIT peer supervision groups.
 - o CPSP will certify SITs as Supervisors/Diplomates for practice in Southeast Asia when they are deemed ready in consultation with CPSP-Philippines.
 - o CPSP oversight of the SIT program will continue until there are at least three (3) diplomates in CPSP-Philippines who are so recognized by CPSP. At that time, the existing arrangement will be re-evaluated.
- V. CPSP and CPSP-Philippines will actively seek ways to work together to promote common concerns, as well as seek opportunities to learn from each other.
- VI. An official representative of CPSP-Philippines will be welcome at CPSP Annual Plenary, and an official representative of CPSP will be welcome at the equivalent annual gathering of CPSP-Philippines.

Signed this day, November 24, 2015,

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