



## PHILIPPINE HEALTH RESEARCH ETHICS BOARD

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**Subject: Extension of Level 3 Accreditation**

Dear **Dr. Lumitao**,

This is to inform you that in view of the on-going process regarding the University of Santo Tomas Hospital Research Ethics Committee (USTH REC)'s renewal of Level 3 Philippine Health Research Ethics Board (PHREB) Accreditation and in order not to disrupt your ethical review responsibilities, your level 3 PHREB Accreditation is hereby extended effective **May 06, 2025 until August 05, 2025** without prejudice to the issuance of a Certificate of Renewal at an earlier date should the process be satisfactorily completed by then.

With warm regards,

**SONIA E. BONGALA, MD**  
Chair