



SINGAPORE CONSIDERS RECOGNITION OF PHILIPPINE NURSING SCHOOLS

The Philippine Embassy in Singapore has reported on the possible inclusion of some Philippine nursing schools in the list of foreign nursing schools recognized by the government of Singapore. The Philippines, together with India, were singled out by Singapore's Ministry of Health due to the English proficiency of their nurses.

The move of the Singapore government is aimed to make the recruitment of foreign nurses easier. At present, only nurses from Malaysia and Brunei are allowed to practise their profession in the city-state without having to pass the Singapore Nursing Examination.

The Post believes that the prospect of inclusion of a number of Philippine nursing schools in the list of foreign nursing schools accredited by Singapore will improve the opportunities for employment of Filipino nurses in that city-state.

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