Regulations Governing Disability Welfare and Service Needs Assessments for Foreign Professionals and Their Dependents

Article 1 The following regulations have been formulated in accordance with Article 28, Paragraph 4 of the Act for the Recruitment and Employment of Foreign Professionals (hereinafter referred to as “the Act”).

Article 2 Pursuant to Article 28, Paragraphs 1 and 2 of the Act, foreign professionals, foreign specialist professionals, and foreign senior professionals, as well as their spouse, minor children, and children having reached the age of majority but who are unable to support themselves due to a disability (collectively, “dependents,” excluding the professionals themselves) may apply for a disability needs assessment with the special municipality or county (city) government if they have the deviation or loss resulting from physical or mental impairments, limiting or restricting them from engaging in ordinary living activities and participation in society

Applicants, as described in the preceding paragraph, must meet the requirements set forth in Article 28, Paragraphs 1 and 2 of the Act; namely, such applicants must have obtained permanent residency from the National Immigration Agency, Ministry of the Interior (hereinafter referred to as the NIA) and have legally resided in the ROC for a total of at least 10 years, with a duration of residency of at least 183 days per year.

Article 3 Applicants shall produce the following documents when submitting the application described in Paragraph 1 of the preceding article:

1. alien permanent resident certificate;
2. Proof of dependency or familial relationship; and
3. Three 1-inch half-body photographs taken within the past three months.

Compliance with Paragraph 2 of the preceding paragraph shall be verified by each special municipality or county (city) government based on residency data provided by the NIA pursuant to Article 28, Paragraphs 1 and 2 of the Act.

Those wishing to submit their application through a proxy shall additionally provide a power of attorney and the proxy’s identification documents.

Article 4 Unless otherwise stipulated herein, the provisions set forth in the *Regulations Governing Disability Welfare and Service Needs Assessments and Issuance of Disability Identifications* shall apply mutatis mutandis to applications for disability welfare and service needs assessments under these regulations, including the application receiving agency, division of responsibilities among the relevant agencies, needs assessment procedures and timelines, composition of the assessment

team, data retention units, identification reissuance/replacement procedures, needs assessment forms, assessment locations, redress procedures, qualifications for needs assessment personnel, and other related matters.

Article 5 Applicants who pass an appraisal and assessment under Articles 6 and 7 of the *People with Disabilities Rights Protection Act* performed by an assessment team composed in accordance with Article 5 of the same Act shall be issued a Disability Eligibility Certificate for the Foreign Professionals and Their Dependents [hereinafter referred to as "Eligibility Certificate" (see Appendix)] by the competent special municipality or county (city) government. The validity period and relevant matters for the certificate shall be subject to Article 14, Paragraphs 1 through 7 of the *People with Disabilities Rights Protection Act*.

Special municipality and county (city) governments shall provide the necessary personal care and family caregiver services based on the assessment results described in the preceding paragraph in accordance with Articles 50 and 51 of the *People with Disabilities Rights Protection Act*.

Article 6 Pursuant to Article 28, Paragraph 3 of the Act, those approved to receive disability services under the preceding paragraph shall have their eligibility revoked and the relevant services terminated by the competent special municipality or county (city) government when their permanent residency is withdrawn or revoked. However, this restriction shall not apply if the permanent residence permit is withdrawn or revoked as a result of restoration, acquisition, or concurrent possession of the nationality of the State.

Article 7 The term "special municipality or county (city) government" used herein shall refer to the local special municipality or county (city) government located in the same administrative region where the applying foreign professional and such professional's dependents reside.

Article 8 These regulations shall come into force on June 30, 2026.