A Study of Reasonable Accommodations

for a Private Medical-related University

-A questionnaire survey for the faculty and administrative

staff of a university-

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Abstract

Since 2016, the *Act for Eliminating Discrimination against Persons with Disabilities* has been enforced in Japan, and national and public universities were obligated to provide reasonable accommodations to students with developmental disorders. On the other hand, private universities were obligated only to "make effort".

The purpose of this study is to know the current situation regarding the support provided by universities students with disabilities. A questionnaire survey was conducted by web survey about the past experiences of faculty and administrative staff. The number of survey requests was 154 (105 faculty members, 49 administrative staff), with 48 faculty members (response rate 45.7%), and 20 administrative staff (response rate 40.8%) responding, at 68 members overall (response rate 44.1%).

For the analysis of the survey results, simple summarization was carried out for each survey item via the description statistics. For free description, categorization was performed by multiple people, describing the category date, and this information was analyzed. This study concludes that the current state of support systems for students that require reasonable accommodations at a university has been clarified. In addition, it was suggested that medical-related universities need to establish a support system specialized for students aiming to become medical-related professionals, including the consideration of clinical training and post-graduation support.