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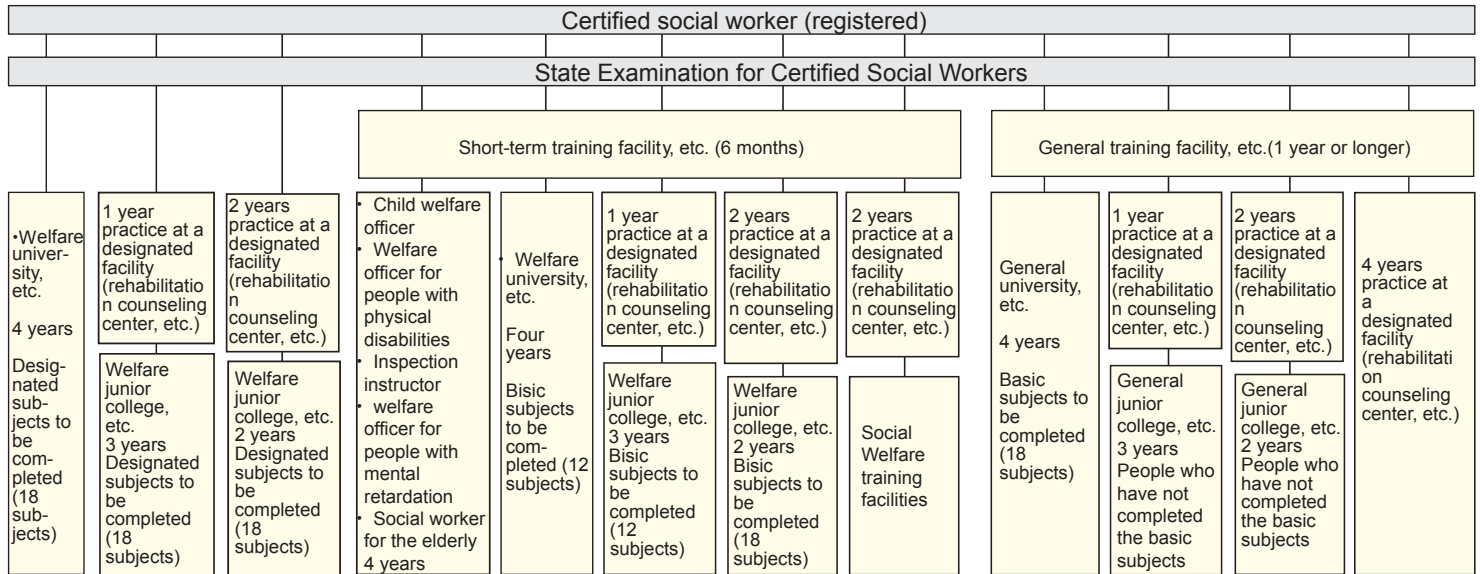
Overview of certified social workers and certified care workers

[Certified social worker]

A certified social worker is a person who provide, as his profession, consultation, advice, guidance and other forms of support according to his expertise to those who have difficulties in living their daily life due to their physical/mental disabilities or environmental reasons.

Those who have studied the subjects related to social welfare designated by the Minister Health, Labour and Welfare in colleges and other institutions and those who have passed the State Examination for Certified Social Workers can become certified social workers upon registration.

How to Become a Certified Social Worker

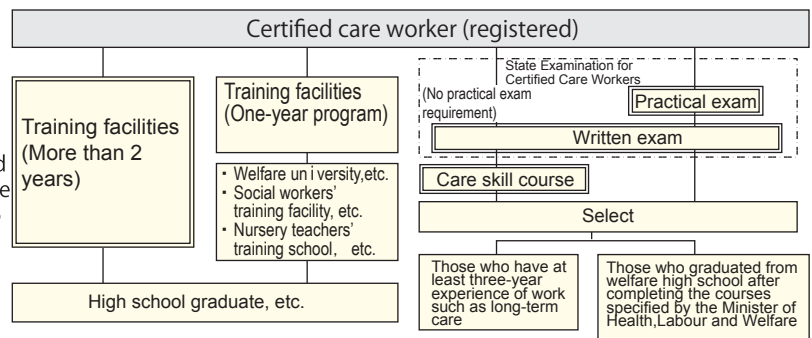


How to Become a Certified Care Worker

[Certified Care Worker]

A certified care worker is a person who Provides, as his profession, personal care including assistance in bathing, going to the bathroom, meals and others and also provides care guidance to the persons needing care and caregivers.

Those who have completed high school or higher education and those who have graduated from training schools designated by the Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare and in addition, those who are engaged in personal carerelated occupation for three years or longer can become certified care workers upon registration after passing the State Examination for Certified Care Workers.



Detailed Date 1

Results of the State Examinations for Certified Social Workers and Certified Care Workers

Classification	Certified social workers			Certified care workers		
	Number of applicants	Number of successful applicants	Pass rate	Number of applicants	Number of successful applicants	Pass rate
The 21th exam. (FY2009)	46,631 people	11,989 people	27.5 %	153,811 people	77,251 people	50.2 %

Source: Social Welfare and War Victims' Relief Bureau, MHLW

Detailed Date 2

Numbers of Those Who Were Qualified as Certified Social Workers and Certified Care Workers

FY	Certified social workers	Certified care workers	Total	
			State examination	Training facility
FY 2010	133,454 people	894,739 people	628,901 people	265,838 people

Source: Social Welfare and War Victims' Relief Bureau, MHLW

Note: The numbers represent those who are registered at the end of May.