

The Meaning and Perspective of Offenders Rehabilitation Facility in Japan

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1 Introduction

○Background

- The developments of offenders rehabilitation facilities in Japan

○Aim

- show the meaning and perspective of these facilities

 - discuss what these facilities should be from a viewpoint of the improvement of offenders treatment and support and the network-based facility in community
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2 Overview of offenders rehabilitation facilities

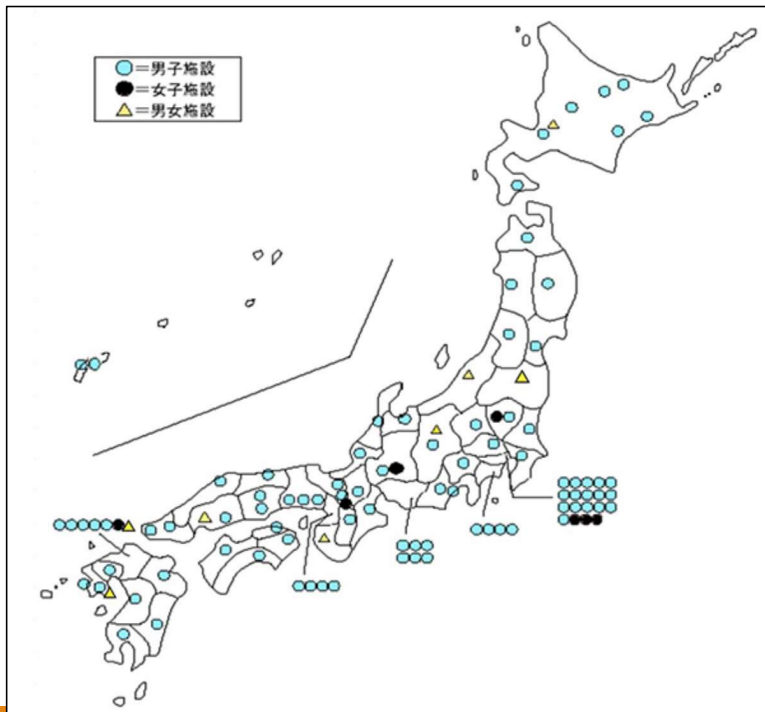
○ Subject: offenders rehabilitation facilities

- private organizations
- four types of organizations
- 103 facilities nationwide
- capacity of 2,402 people



2 Overview of offenders rehabilitation facilities


○103 facilities nationwide



- ● for men : 88
- ● for women : 7
- ▲ for men and women : 8

2 Overview of offenders rehabilitation facilities

○ Capacity of 2,402 people

- male adults: 1,900
 - female adults: 140
 - male juveniles: 311
 - female juveniles: 51
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2 Overview of offenders rehabilitation facilities

Object : eligible persons

a person who

- has been released on parole (67.7%)
- has been released on expiry of full prison sentence (11%)
- has been granted suspension of execution of sentence
- has been received a ruling not to institute prosecution as prosecution is found unnecessary (6.5%)
- has been subject to a fine or petty fine
- are released from a workhouse etc.



adult

2 Overview of offenders rehabilitation facilities

○Object: The main eligible persons

a person who

- are released from a juvenile training school
- has been placed on probationary supervision etc.



juvenile

2 Overview of offenders rehabilitation facilities

○ Offenders rehabilitation system in Japan

- parole and probation
- unique system for those who have been on expiry of full prison sentence
:urgent aftercare for discharged offenders

○ Characteristic of eligible persons for offenders rehabilitation facilities




3 Development of offenders rehabilitation facilities : history

○Origin

- in 1888, the Meiji Era
- charitable services

○After World War II

- establishment of offenders rehabilitation system
 - positioned as a supplement to the welfare system
 - as a bridge facility to social welfare rather than a place for offenders treatment
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3 Development of offenders rehabilitation facilities : history

○ Around 1960


- moves to enhance and strengthen offenders treatment
- training and surveys
- international trend
 - : from institutional treatment to community-based treatment
- expected as places of offenders treatment

3 Development of offenders rehabilitation facilities : offenders treatment

○ **Offenders Rehabilitation Services Act (1997)**

- foundation for the subsequent offenders treatment system

○ **Amendment of Offenders Rehabilitation Services Act (2002)**


- active offenders treatment to promote social life
 - positioned as offenders treatment facilities
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3 Development of offenders rehabilitation facilities : offenders treatment

○ Designated “welfare-focused” offenders rehabilitation facilities (2009～)

- for elderly people and persons with disabilities
- staff : welfare specialists
 - ex) social workers

○ “Substance-abuse-focused” offenders rehabilitation facilities (2013～)

- staff : psychiatric social workers or psychologists
 - drug dependence recovery programs
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3 Development of offenders rehabilitation facilities : offenders treatment

○ **Follow-up project (2017~)**

- Ongoing support for the self-reliance and rehabilitation of persons residing in the community
- provides life guidance for those who have left these facilities
- provides substance abuse program

○ **Model project for visiting support (2020~)**

- carries out visiting support for those who have left these facilities etc.

4 Conclusion and Future work

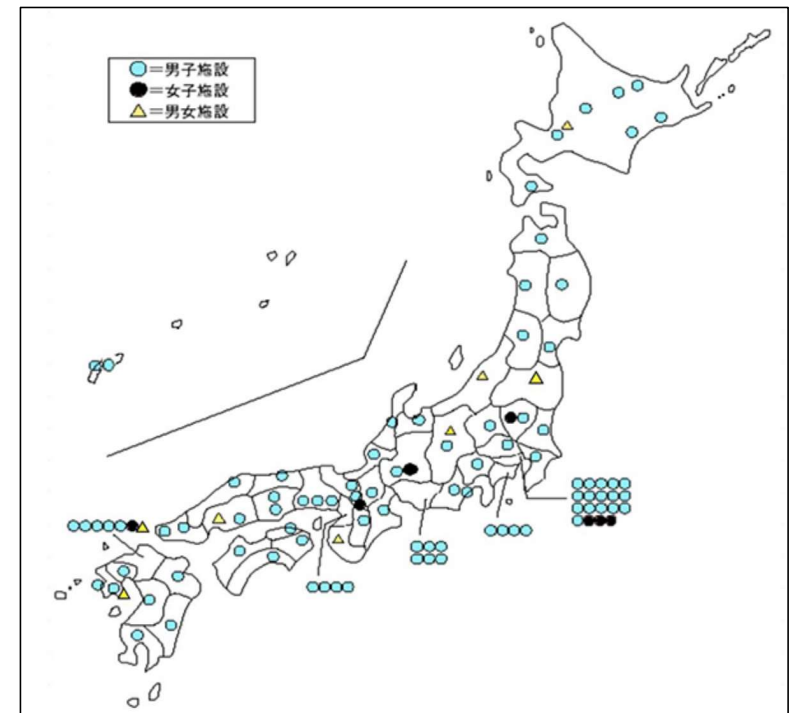
○ Conclusion

- targeted at offenders with various problems and needs
- not merely a supplement to the welfare system, but a network-based facility for the reintegration of offenders into community
- aspect of social welfare assistance by support, as well as encouraging offenders to reintegrate them into community by offenders treatment

4 Conclusion and Future work

○Future work

- Resources in each facilities
- Revision of the Act
- Motivation to offenders



Thank you for listening!

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