

Co-operation between the Public and Private sector in community welfare planning

ABSTRACT

One definition of co-operation is “thinking together, working together, taking up the risk together for the common purpose”. According to this definition, co-operation between the public and the private sectors necessitates that they establish a relationship of equality and become jointly responsible for the common purpose.

The question is then how co-operation between these sectors is possible in community welfare planning? This paper examines the substance of co-operation between these sectors by focusing on the participation of residents in health and welfare planning for elderly people.

I have classified participation of residents in the process of the health and welfare planning for elderly people into five types and made clear the possibility of co-operation between the sectors in every one of these types.

The purpose of this study is to investigate the conditions for co-operation between the public and private sectors in the area of social welfare.

Key words : co-operation, community welfare planning, participation