



# Harassment Consultation Center News

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## Harassment During the COVID-19 Pandemic

With the COVID-19 pandemic, persons who are infected with the virus, their families, and healthcare workers face unfair treatment including discrimination, prejudice, and abuse, in what could be called a “witch-hunt.”

For example,

- Being treated as a virus carrier just because a family member is a healthcare worker.
- Being told “we cannot work with a suspected carrier,” even after having tested negative by PCR testing.



Anyone can become infected with COVID-19. Instead of blaming and excluding those who are infected or have symptoms, we should be considerate and give them a warm welcome when they return.

It's also important to address the disease and the changes it has brought about within society in an appropriate manner, namely, on the basis of scientific knowledge and views, instead of having unfounded fear.

Let's enforce appropriate infection control, such as avoiding the three Cs, washing our hands and gargling, and pray for an early end to COVID-19, all the while remembering to protect the dignity of ourselves and others.



## Infection Control Measures and Consultation Services

At the Harassment Consultation Center, we are currently recommending online consultation using tools such as Zoom and Skype, as part of our infection control measures against COVID-19.

Please contact us via a secure network connection using a computer with a webcam and microphone or a tablet and in an appropriate setting where your privacy is protected and you feel safe.

For those who wish to come in for a face-to-face consultation, please be sure to wear a mask. Please also note that in the event that we find a counselor or a visitor infected with the coronavirus, we may have to share necessary information with the university and the local health authority for the identification of close contacts.



## We have moved!

Our offices on the Higashiyama Campus and Daiko Campus moved in July and September of this year, respectively, within the respective campus.



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