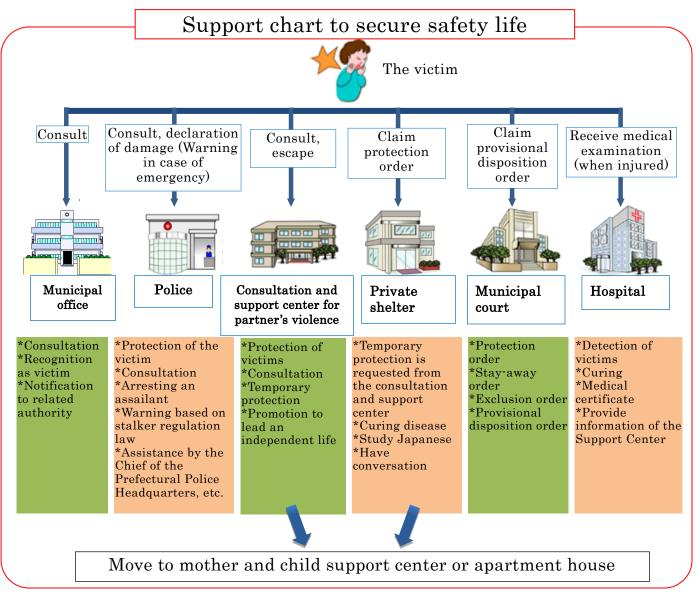
## If you are disturbed by domestic violence, consult us immediately

## Support chart for domestic violence victims

One in 17 couples marries a foreigner nowadays. There are many partners and lovers who come to FICEC to get advice about domestic violence.

If you are in fifty-fifty relationship, it may be called a quarrel to say what you both want to say. But if your partner tries to control you or do not honor human rights, it may be said domestic violence. If you cannot solve the situation or if there is any fear for your physical safety, come and consult us. In 2001, Domestic Violence Law (Law regarding support of victims of domestic violence) has been established and network to support the victims has been enhanced much currently. Here are related information based on documents in Cabinet Office



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The first Coming-of-age party started in Warabi-shi Saitama. The young who are 20 years old are celebrated and encouraged to confirm that they become adult. This year, the ceremony is performed on 13, January.

Persons born from April 2, 1993 to April 1, 1994 can participate in this ceremony. Many ladies may wear beautiful kimonos and men in suits to gather the party. The invitation card is already dispatched from the municipal office for those who are concerned. Coming-of-age party is noticed to residents who become 20 years old

Be careful to norovirus and influenza which spread in winter season. Be sure to wash your hands. On dry days in winter season, such virus become very active. Bird flu is a very dangerous seasonal virus. Norovirus is food poisoning and about 70% outbreaks in winter season (from November to February).

Both influenza and norovirus enter through the mouth. Washing hands is the first thing to do for prevention of such virus.

If you feel physically sick, you should seek medical attention at once.

The bicycle should pass left side (same as automobiles). If you violate the regulation, you should face imprisonment of up to three months or pay penalty of up to 50000 yen.

The metropolitan police department alert following five cautions:

- 1) Bicycles should pass roadway generally. Passing on sidewalk is an exceptional instance.
- 2) When you pass through the roadway, keep left.
- 3) When you pass on sidewalk, yield to pedestrians. Ride along the roadway slowly.
- 4) Keep the safety rules
- 5) Children should wear helmets.

Bicycles are very convenient but there are some serious accidents causing injures. Previously, it was not so much punished but now it will be strictly regulated. No-lamp riding at night, riding with opening an umbrella or riding with drinking will be also regulated.

Children with only one parent living will receive a present to celebrate when entering school In Miyoshi-machi, a present to celebrate is given to children with only one parent living when entering elementary school and junior high school.

Applicable family: 1) Family which raise a child with only one parent or no parents. 2) The child who is going to enter an elementary school or a junior high school in April 2014. 3) Family unit that pays municipal tax (family who lives on welfare cannot receive it) Present: Gift tickets of 5000 yen

Application: Ask at Child Welfare Section, Children Support Div, of your local municipal office until Jan. 31. (Tel. 049-258-0019, extension 165)

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The law to ride a bicycle become stricter since December 1