

REVIEW ARTICLE

The Significance of Comprehensive Rehabilitation

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ABSTRACT

The problems faced by persons with disabilities are not simple. Rehabilitation has been implemented to solve such complicated problems, and rehabilitation doctors may feel pressure because rehabilitation needs to be implemented comprehensively, from the beginning. In this study, the meaning of comprehensive rehabilitation will be explained, and simultaneously, the intention of adding the word “comprehensive” to rehabilitation will be explored.

Comprehensive rehabilitation is composed of four dimensions; medical rehabilitation, educational rehabilitation in the aspect of social welfare, vocational rehabilitation, and social rehabilitation. Comprehensive rehabilitation can be understood in terms of its five aspects; life stage, treatment stages, features of the changes in disabilities over time, rehabilitation program, team members. Rehabilitation has to be carried out comprehensively, from the beginning, and also it needs to be considered seriously and continuously how to make a proper referral to other medical practitioners and how to network with other medical practitioners, administrators, social workers, and medical staffs.

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