

Astellas promotes employment of people with disabilities by placing the Green Supply Support Office in Yaizu City, Shizuoka Prefecture

Tokyo, October 9, 2014 - Astellas Pharma Inc. (TSE: 4503; Headquarters: Tokyo; President & CEO: Yoshihiko Hatanaka) announced that the company had established the second Green Supply Support Office as a section of Astellas Learning Institute Co., Ltd. (President: Akihiko Renjo), a group company of Astellas, in October 1st, 2014.



Astellas believes that one of its social responsibilities is to provide people with disabilities with work opportunities suitable to their skills and abilities, so that they can pursue independent lifestyles and actively participate in society. In 2011, the Green Supply Support Office (Miyukigaoka) was established at the Tsukuba Research Center in Tsukuba City, Ibaraki Prefecture to provide people with intellectual disabilities with work opportunities suitable to their skills and abilities and help them work comfortably. In order to further promote the employment of people with disabilities, the second Green Supply Support Office (Yaizu) has been established at the Yaizu Pharmaceutical Research Center.

The new Green Supply Support Office (Yaizu) was designed to ensure a good working environment for people with an intellectual disability. However, the office recruited and employed people regardless of the type of disability to assign members to the most suitable roles. As a result, the office consists of diverse members. Before the launch of this organization, employees of the Yaizu Pharmaceutical Research Center received lectures to deepen their understanding of the concept of normalization. Astellas will continuously be committed to realizing the employment of diverse people with disabilities.

The outline of the new organization is as follows:

Name: Green Supply Support Office (Yaizu)
Location: Yaizu Pharmaceutical Research Center (180, Ozumi, Yaizu City, Shizuoka Prefecture, Japan)
Employees: 16 employees including support staff members

Work contents: Laundering work uniforms; retrieval, segregation and disposition of confidential documents, cleanup service at the center, and growing flowers and plants around the center.

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