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BBI's New Los Angeles Base Hosts Japanese Commission on Disability Law

The Burton Blatt Institute (BBI) will host a day-long workshop on the Japanese government's consideration of a new disability civil rights law. This first of its kind meeting, as part of a workshop series at BBI's new Los Angeles base, examines disability law and policy in Japan and the U.S. with discussion of comparative strengths and challenges. The February 18th workshop will be held at Loyola Law School. The panels will be on disability in Japan, developments in the United States, and comparative approaches. In addition to BBI and the Japanese Government Committee on Disability Law Development, the event is sponsored by the Global Partnership for Disability Development (GPDD), Hokusei Gakuen University in Hokkaido, Japan, and Loyola Law School.

The workshop builds on the collaboration between BBI and the Japanese Government Committee on Disability Law. Professor Jun Nakagawa, of Hokusei Gakuen University in Hokkaido, Japan, is chair of the Japanese Committee. BBI Chairman Peter Blanck, who recently lectured throughout Japan, notes this event "will be an important collaborative discussion on the rights of persons with disabilities in Japan and the US."

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