

BACKGROUND

Human migration is regarded as the most intense source of social, cultural and historical linkage between Japan and the Philippines. Inextricably linked to migration, care has been one of the key aspects through which recent labor and family migration between Japan and the Philippines may be examined. The emergence of Japanese-Filipino partnerships and families, as well as the movement of caregivers have influenced Japanese and Filipino societies. Care can generate both a crisis and an opportunity. In the case of Japan, aging population, labor shortage and declining fertility rate have all contributed to a care crisis, prompting the national government to adjust its social welfare, labor and migration policies. On the part of the Philippines, the socioeconomic inequality between Japan and the Philippines, along with geographical proximity, labor opportunities and legal policies in Japan, play a role in the mobility of families and caregivers.

While much recent discussion on care has focused on the bilateral programs supporting the movement of Filipino caregivers, the forum includes the caring contributions of permanent resident Filipinas in Japan. The forum's panelists aim to discuss care more broadly by examining how it is conceptualized and constructed in relation to family, work and migration regimes. The forum-roundtable will gather and highlight various perspectives from academics, government officials, migration brokers and NGOs in order to examine care as a cultural ideology, a social and migration policy and a framework for evaluating shifts (and continuities) in Japan-Philippine relations.

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