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regarding: support for doctoral students who are parents of small children or take care of a sick family member or a child with a disability certificate.

Bearing in mind the challenges and difficulties faced by parents of young children who are balancing parental duties with their education at the doctoral school and research work, the Director of the Doctoral School is willing to take steps to provide additional support to doctoral students in this situation.

Since equally significant challenges and difficulties apply to those who care for a sick family member or a child with a disability certificate, they too can apply for support from the Director of the Doctoral School.

In case of specific needs regarding accommodation in the area of education and research that can be provided at the institutional level, it is recommended to contact the Director of the Doctoral School to discuss the possibilities in this regard and implement appropriate arrangements.

I would also like to remind you that according to the Act of July 20, 2018, on Higher Education and Science (i.e., Journal of Laws of 2023, item 742, as amended) and the Regulations of Doctoral Schools, the need to provide personal care for a child up to 4 years of age or a child with a disability certificate, as well as the need to provide personal care for a sick family member, are grounds for extending the deadline for submitting a doctoral dissertation and the resulting period of education at the school beyond the period provided for in the Individual Research Plan.

It is also worth noting that the Jagiellonian University offers support for parents in terms of childcare, which is managed by the Foundation of Students and Alumni of the Jagiellonian University "Bratniak" (nursery "Żaczuś") and the Jagiellonian Centre for Innovation ("JCI Kindergarten").

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