





Country Report

Japan Medical Association

The 154th Regular Meeting of the JMA House of Delegates

June 25th, 2023

JMA Auditorium, Tokyo





President Kichiro Matsumoto explained the JMA's thoughts.

- Organizational Strengthening
- Response to COVID-19
- Kakaritsuke Physician Function
- Physician Work Style Reform
- Stable Drug Supply, etc.

The 31st General Assembly of The Japan Medical Congress Tokyo, 2023

Big Data Opens the Way to the Future of Medicine and Healthcare: In Search of a Prosperous 100-year Life Era April 21 to 23, 2023, Tokyo



His Majesty the Emperor of Japan



Fumio Kishida, Prime Minister



Kichiro Matsumoto, JMA President

His Majesty the Emperor of Japan

"I hope that those involved in medicine and healthcare will be of great help to people in leading healthy lives while sincerely facing the various risks and ethical challenges that accompany progress."

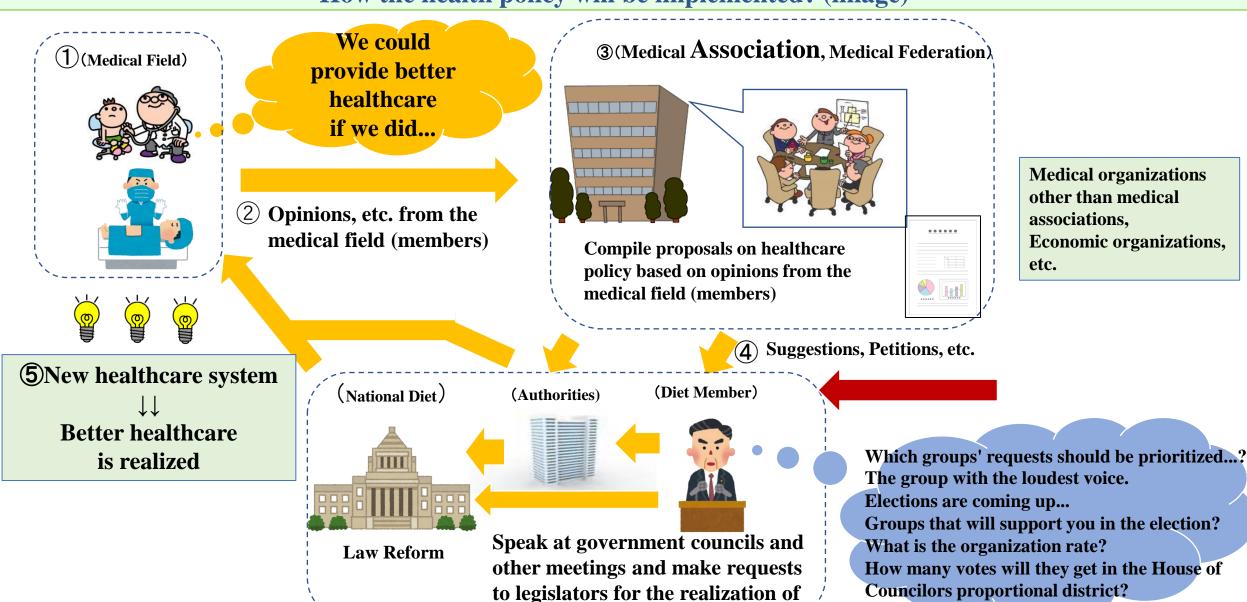
Prime Minister Fumio Kishida

"The efficiency and quality improvement of services through medical DX will greatly pave the way for the future of healthcare in Japan, and the government will do its utmost to realize this goal."

President Matsumoto pointed out that the key issue is how to utilize big data and implement technological innovation in society.

Organizational Strengthening Why is it necessary to strengthen organizational capacity?

~How the health policy will be implemented? (image)~



proposals, etc.

Medical organizations other than medical associations, Economic organizations,

Elections are coming up... Groups that will support you in the election? What is the organization rate? How many votes will they get in the House of

Communication with the Ruling Party (1/2)

Government

< Cabinet>

- Shunichi Suzuki, Minister of Finance
- Katsunobu Kato, Minister of MHLW
- Shigeyuki Goto, Minister of State for Economic and Fiscal Policy
- Takashi Hanyuda, State Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare
- Hanako Jimi, Parliamentary Vice-Minister of Cabinet Office

< Prime Minister's Office

- Fumio Kishida, Prime Minister
- Hirokazu Matsuno, Chief Cabinet Secretary



We believe that it is especially important to communicate regularly with the Liberal Democratic Party and Komeito. We believe that the most important thing is to accurately communicate our thoughts and gain their understanding, or conversely, to listen to the thoughts of politicians and see what the JMA thinks about them. We firmly express our opinions in our daily communication.

Party

**** as of Mar. 23, 2023**

< Liberal Democratic Party >

- Toshimitsu Motegi, Secretary-General
- Toshiaki Endo, Chairperson, General Council
- Koichi Hagyuda, Chairperson, Policy Research Council
- Yuko Obuchi, Chairperson, Party Organization and Campaign Headquarters
- Yoichi Miyazawa, Chairperson, Research Commission on the Tax System
- Keizo Takemi, Chairperson, Special Committee on Global Health Strategy

The Constitutional Democratic Party of

Democratic Party For the People

Japan

Jananaga

Japan Innovation

Party

Japanese Communist Party





<National Diet>

Member of House of Councillors

- Takashi Hanyuda
- Hanako Jimi
- Keizo Takemi
- Hokuto Hohi



<Komeito>

- Natsuo Yamaguchi, Chief Representative
- Keiichi Ishii, Secretary General
- Yosuke Takagi, Chairperson, General Council

Communication with the Ruling Party(2/2)



Minister of MHLW, Katsunobu Kato July 31, 2023



Minister of Digital transformation Taro Kono April 24,2023



Minister of Finance Shunichi Suzuki Dec. 23, 2022



Prime Minister Fumio Kishida, April 11, 2023



Minister of State for Economic and Fiscal Policy Shigeyuki Goto Dec. 12, 2022





Minister of MEXT Keiko Nagaoka Nov. 11, 2022



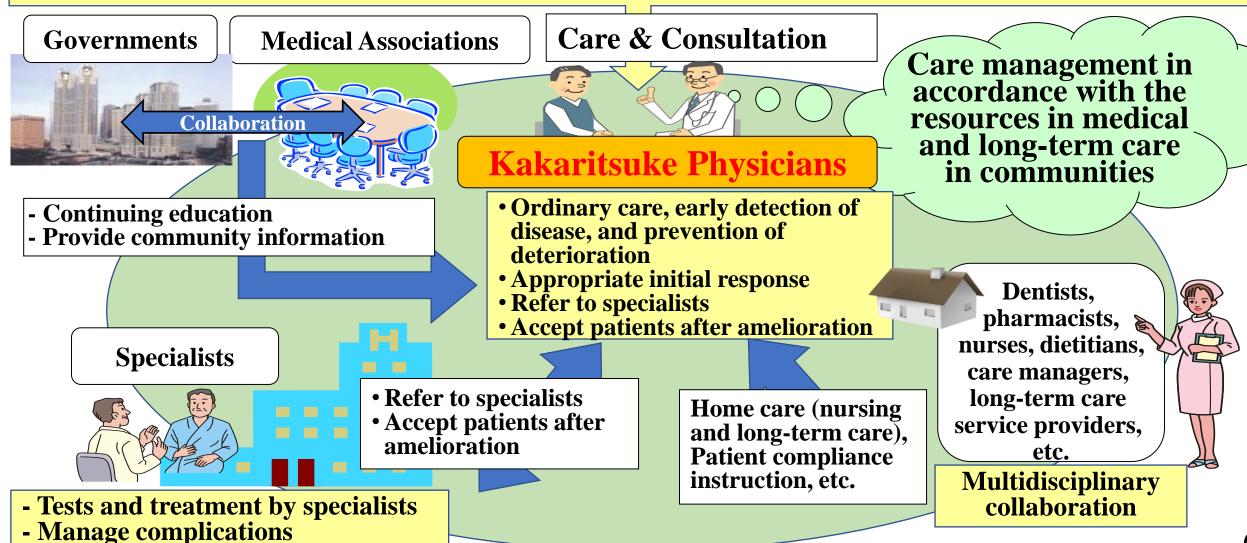
Hirokazu Matsuno, Chief Cabinet Secretary

May 14, 2023

Chairperson, Policy Research Council of LDP Koichi Hagyuda, Apr. 28, 2023

Kakaritsuke Physician Function to support all aspects of community healthcare "Seamless Medical and Long-term Care" in which Kakaritsuke Physicians Play the Central Role

Wide range of issues relating to the health of patients and the people



Response to COVID-19 Pandemic (1/2)

- 1. Support for the establishment of a system to prepare for the spread of emerging infectious diseases and expansion of the system for novel coronavirus infections.
- 2. Expansion of the system for receiving patients with emerging infectious diseases and COVID-19 Pandemic.
- 3. Support for the stockpiling of personal protective equipment (PPE) and other expenses of medical institutions with which agreements have been concluded.
- 4. Establishment of stockpiling and supply systems for necessary supplies, such as test kits and therapeutic drugs.
- 5. Support for medical institutions sharing regular healthcare other than for emerging infectious diseases (emergency care, perinatal and pediatrics, dialysis, cancer, etc.).

Response to COVID-19 Pandemic (2/2)

- 6. Securing human resources to deal with emerging infectious diseases, support and compensation for healthcare workers, etc.
- 7. Development and stockpiling of vaccines and antiviral drugs
- 8. Establishment of a supply system for vaccines with sufficient reserves in case of unforeseen circumstances
- 9. Promotion of safe vaccination practices
- 10. Reduce the administrative burden of reporting on infectious diseases and vaccinations
- 11. Media measures to convey accurate information to the public



Video for the People
"Teach us! How to deal with COVID-19 from now on?"

Survey of Healthcare Situation in the European Countries at the COVID-19 Pandemic



During the COVID-19 pandemic, there was a great deal of confusion in healthcare around the world. There was some consensus that general practitioners ('GPs') had been effective.

In order to observe and understand the actual situation in other countries from multiple perspectives and to consider the next emerging infectious disease control measures to come, the JMA conducted a two-week study visit to three European countries (UK, Germany and France) from the end of May 2023.

DX in the medical community Discussions with Digital Minister Kono on Healthcare DX



Taro Kono Minister for Digital Transformation

President Matsumoto visited the Digital Agency on 24 April 2023 and met with Mr. Taro Kono, Minister for Digital Transformation.

Regarding medical DX, Dr Matsumoto expressed his intention to continue working with the Digital Agency to promote it and confirmed that the two parties would continue to exchange information closely as there are various challenges in the current situation.



HPKI Card for physicians issued by the JMA

Physician's Work Style Reform (1/2)

Current situation

[Long physician working hours]:

About 40% of full-time hospital physicians work more than 960 hours a year, and about 10% work more than 1,860 hours a year with overtime and holidays. Emergency medicine, obstetrics and gynecology, surgery and younger physicians are particularly likely to work long hours.

[Inadequate labour management]:

Some healthcare facilities have not signed a labourmanagement agreement on overtime work or do not have objective time management.

[Work focused on physicians]:

Physicians are responsible for explaining medical conditions to patients, taking many examination results readings, and preparing records.

Desired Direction

Ensure physician' health through better labour management and reduced working hours.



Every healthcare professional can more proactive by leveraging own competencies.



Provide patients with quality and safe healthcare in a sustainable manner.

Physician's Work Style Reform (2/2)

Countermeasures

Address structural issues lead to long working hours

Promote Optimal Allocation
of healthcare facilities
(Clarification of regional healthcare concept
and outpatient functions)

Correct Maldistribution of Physicians across regions and departments

Promote appropriate consultations based on public understanding and cooperation

Promotion of physician work styles within healthcare organizations

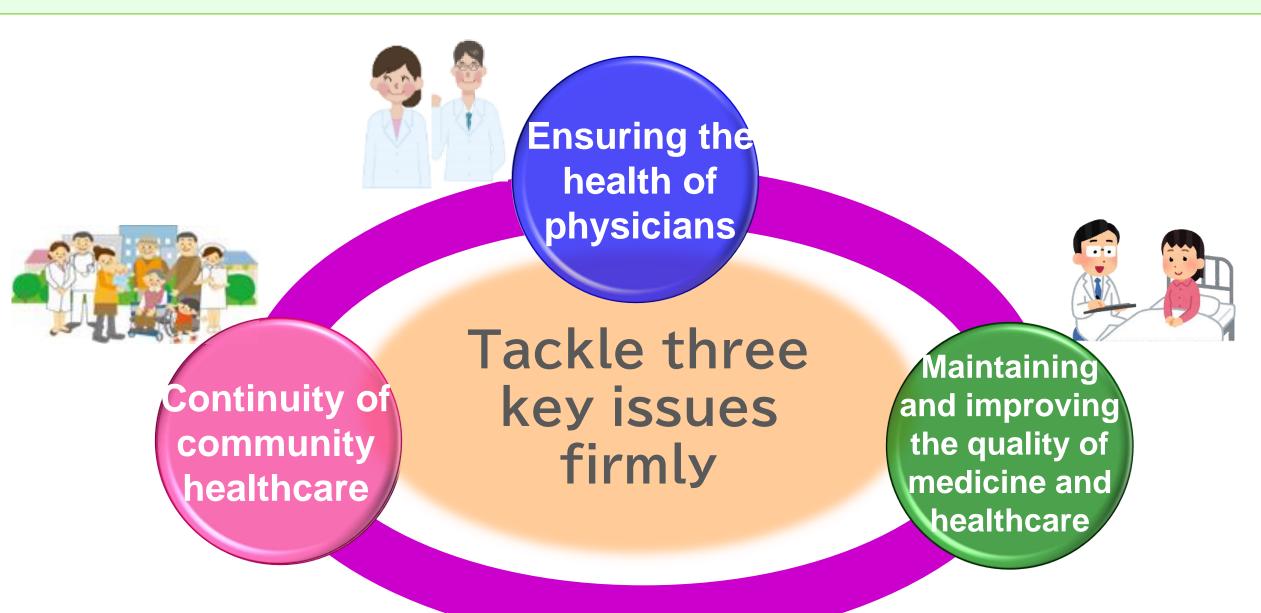
Promoting proper labour management
Encourage task shifting/sharing
(Expansion/clarification of the scope of work)

Partially addressed by legislative changes.

Administrative support

- Support through the Medical Work Environment Improvement Support Centre
- Raising awareness at management
- Raising awareness among doctors, etc.

Basic Principles for Physician's Work Style Reform



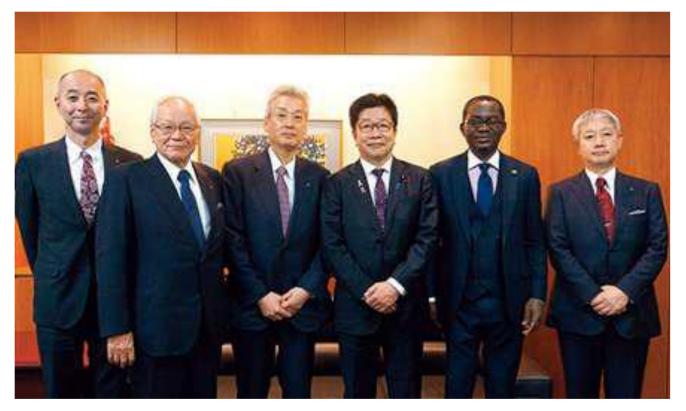
Medical Institution Working Environment Assessment Centre

Purpose of Establishment

- Contribute to the efficient provision of good and appropriate healthcare by physicians.
- Evaluate the status of efforts to reduce the working hours of physicians in hospitals and clinics.
- Provide necessary advice and guidance to the management of medical institutions in their efforts to reduce working hours.
- The JMA was designated by the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare as the operating entity in April

International Cooperation

President Matsumoto and WMA President Dr. Enabulele meet with Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare 14th Nov. 2022



Katsunobu Kato, Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare

President Matsumoto, together with Dr. Osahon Enabulele, President of the WMA, visited the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare to meet with Minister Katsunobu Kato on November 14th. Dr. Enabulele explained the severe healthcare environment in low-and middle-income countries in Africa and shared challenges and Japanese support in promoting Universal Health Coverage (UHC).

Training on NCDs Control in the Kyrgyz Republic 8th March 2023



In response to a request from the Japan International Co-operation Agency (JICA) for training under the Kyrgyz Republic's 'Project to Strengthen the Pilot Referral System for Early Detection and Treatment of Non-Communicable Diseases', Executive Director Kurose Iwao gave a lecture entitled 'The JMA's approach to non-communicable diseases (diabetes mellitus)'.

Support for areas affected by the Turkish-Syrian earthquake





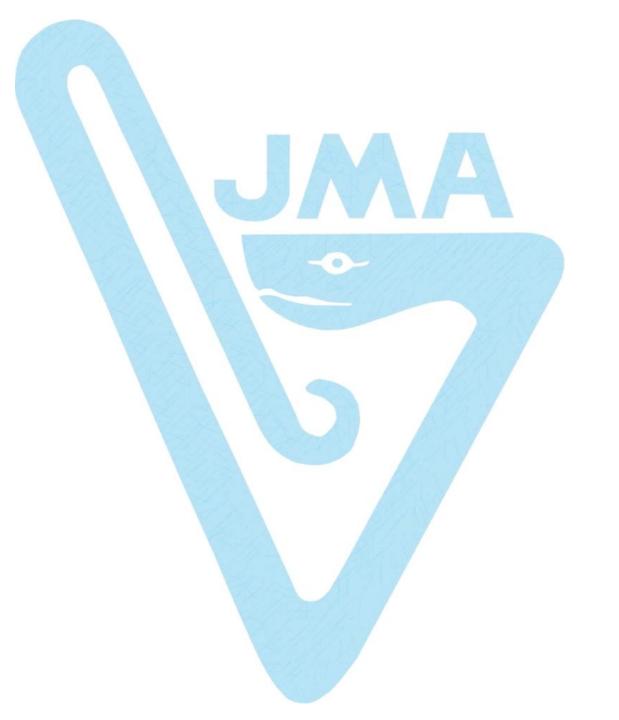
As part of its support for the 7.8 magnitude earthquake that struck southeastern Turkey, near the Syrian border, on 6 February 2023, the JMA provided aid to the AMDA, which is conducting emergency relief activities in the affected areas. Following the earthquake, AMDA organized a medical team of one doctor, one nurse and one coordinator, who left Japan on 11 February and visited the Turkish Medical Association on 13 February to hand over the JMA donation to President Şepnem Pinjanj.

Cooperation in providing medical assistance to Ukrainian citizens.



At its board meeting on March 22, the JMA decided to donate 213 million yen to the WMA for medical aid to Ukraine, in addition to the previous 300 million yen.

Professor Eidelman, past President of the WMA, who led the relief effort, said, "Without the support of the JMA, we would not have been able to provide so much medical assistance. Your support has saved thousands and thousands of Ukrainian lives."



Thank you for your attention!