# Advanced Elderly Medical Service System

## What is the Advanced Elderly Medical Service System?

The Advanced Elderly Medical Service System [KOKI KOREISHA IRYO SEIDO] is a public health care insurance system that covers people who are 75 and older or those aged 65 or older with certain disabilities.

It allows elderly people to receive necessary medical services when they get sick or injured.

The coinsurance amount of patients who receive medical service covered by the insurance plan is 10%, 20% or 30% (the coinsurance percentage varies according to the insured's income). The rest of the health care expenditures are covered through public funding, support from young generations and insurance premiums from insured persons

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#### Health Insurance Card

Each insured person is given one card. Everyone is automatically enrolled in the system on his/her 75<sup>th</sup> birthday so no specific application is required in this case. The insurance card will be mailed to you by the municipal office where you are registered as a resident during the month prior to your 75<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Those who move in to Toyota City from other prefectures or individuals between the age of 65 and 74 who have certain degree of disability must apply for the insurance card at the division in charge.

All insured persons will be sent a new insurance card each year by the renewal date, which is August 1, as long as there are no unpaid premiums.

## Health Insurance Premium

Insurance premiums are calculated based on reported income earned between January and December of the previous year. The premiums must be paid in eight installments from July through February of the following year. Please make payment by the date specified on the bill at a financial institution or convenience store.

(For those who are receiving pension in Japan, the premiums may be automatically deducted from their monthly pension benefit depending on its amount. It is also possible to pay through bank transfer, so please contact the division in charge if you are interested.)

Attention: Ensure you declare your income every year, even if you made no money during a given year, so that premiums can be calculated properly and you are able to receive reduction in case you become eligible.

## What happens if you don't make payment?

You will receive a reminder bill in case you don't pay insurance premiums by the due date. If premiums go unpaid, in accordance with the law, your salary or pension income may be seized to pay these arrears. In addition to that, you may also face inconvenience of paying an increased coinsurance rate in the event you need medical care. If you had a significantly reduced income because of, for example, loss of employment, natural disaster or another unexpected event and thus are having trouble making your payments, contact the Medical Welfare Division to discuss a possible reduction.

# About the Premium Amount Notification and Payment Notices

The following are the different types of notices that you may receive.

Туре	Explanation
Notification of Advanced Elderly Medical	When premium amount is defined, this Notification is
Service Insurance Premium Amount and	sent along with the information about payment method
Payment Notice	and amount per installment.
	If bills come attached to the Notification, make
	payment at banks, post offices or convenience stores.
Notification of Change of Advanced Elderly	It is sent when change occurs on the premium amount
Medical Service Insurance Premium	(mainly due to income declaration, moving out, change
Amount and Payment Notice	in the household composition, etc.). Information about
	payment method and amount per installment after the
	change will be included. If bills come attached to the
	Notification, make payment at banks, post offices or
	convenience stores. Please use only the new payment
	slips and discard the old ones.
Notification of Advanced Elderly Medical	Those whose premiums are deducted from the pension
Service Insurance Premium Amount and	benefits will receive this Notification.
Notice of Payment Via Pension Deduction	
Notification of Provisional Advanced Elderly	This notification is sent when the new premium amount
Medical Service Insurance Amount	that will be deducted from pension benefits is defined.
Notification of Change of Provisional	It is sent when change occurs on the provisional
Advanced Elderly Medical Service Insurance	premium amount (mainly due to income declaration,
Amount	moving out, change in the household composition,
	etc.).

If you have concerns and questions regarding medical system contact us.

Toyota City Hall – Medical Welfare Division [FUKUSHI IRYO-KA] (East Bldg. – 1<sup>st</sup> Floor)

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