

System of Medical Payment for Services and Supports for Persons with Disabilities

○ Objective

Medical system bearing public expenses that aims to reduce self-pay burden of medical costs concerning medical service for persons with disabilities to ease and reduce their physical disabilities and mental disorders

※ Insurance precedes medical payment for services and supports for persons with disabilities; practically this system shall cover the difference between self-pay burden prescribed by this system and 30% cost sharing after insurance payment.
(Burden proportion: national 50%, prefectures 50%)

○ Covered

- Ambulant mental medical service: Persons with mental disease such as mental disorders prescribed in Article 5 of Act for the Mental Health and Welfare of the Persons with Mental Disorders who needs ambulant mental treatment continuously
- Medical rehabilitation service: Persons to whom a physically disabled certificate is issued pursuant to the Law for the Welfare of Physically Disabled Persons and to whom result is assured by medical service such as an operation, etc. to ease and reduce those disorders (aged 18 and over)
- Medical aid for children with potential disability : Children with physical disabilities to whom result is assured by medical service such as an operation, etc. to ease and reduce those disabilities (aged under 18)

○ Intended main disorders and remedial example

- Ambulant mental medical service (mental disease) : Psychotropic, psychiatry day care, etc.
- Medical rehabilitation service, medical aid for children with potential disability:

Physical disability : arthrogryposis → artificial joint replacement

Visual disability: cataract → cataract extraction

internal impediment: impaired cardiac function → valve replacement, pacemaker implantation

Kidney dysfunction → liver transplantation, dialysis treatment