

Relief Systems for Adverse Drug Reactions and Infections Acquired through Biological Products

Overview

[Relief System for Adverse Drug Reactions]

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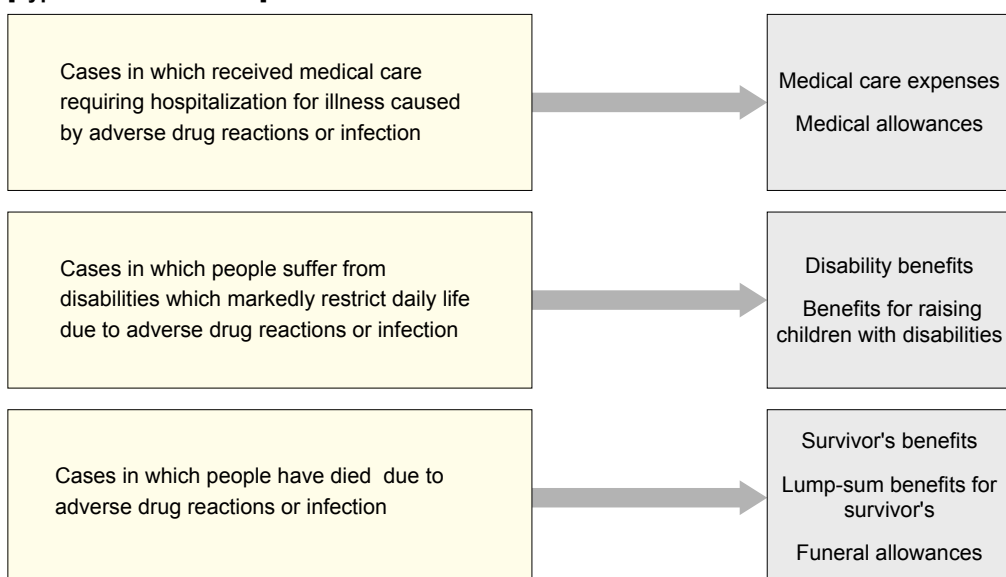
[Relief System for Infections Acquired through Biological Products]

The purpose of this system is to provide various relief benefits and prompt relief to patients and their families, apart from civil liability, in relation to injury caused by infections despite the proper use of biological products.

[Responsible organization]

Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency

[Types of Relief Benefits]



[Activities on the Relief for Caused Damages]

The Agency has been commissioned by pharmaceutical enterprises and the government to pay health management allowances, etc. to SMON (subacute myelo-optico-neuropathy) patients who have settled the lawsuit out of court.

[Relief Program for AIDS patients, etc. caused by Blood Products]

A survey and research project has been conducted since FY 1993 for helping HIV carriers infected through the use of contaminated blood products to prevent them from developing symptoms. For the prevention of the onset of AIDS and for health management in daily life, the government provides health management expenses and in turn requests the carriers report their health status.

Since FY 1996, assistance on health management expenses has been provided for the health management of those who developed AIDS and accepted the court settlement.

Detailed Data

Changes in Status of Adverse Drug Reaction Relief Payments (as of the end of each FY)

	FY1980-1995	FY1996	FY1997	FY1998	FY1999	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002	FY2003	FY2004	FY2005	FY2006	FY2007	FY2008	FY2009	FY2010
Amount (¥1,000)	5,365,605	692,611	797,556	928,986	920,419	935,148	1,022,185	1,055,984	1,204,243	1,262,647	1,587,567	1,582,956	1,696,525	1,798,706	1,783,783	1,867,190
Number of claims (case)	2,368	297	399	361	389	480	483	629	793	769	760	788	908	926	1,052	1,018
Number of payments (case)	1,886	190	294	306	289	343	352	352	465	513	836	676	718	782	861	897

Source: Pharmaceutical and Medical Devices Agency