

**MEMORANDUM**  
**of Cooperation in Healthcare sector**  
**between Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare of Japan**  
**and Ministry of Health and Medical Industry of Turkmenistan**

Whereas Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW) is responsible for systems that are closely related to the individual lives of the people of Japan and which concern medical care, long-term care, pensions, labour, childcare support, and public assistance;

Whereas Ministry of Health and Medical Industry (MOHMIT) is the government body responsible for implementation of state policy in the field of public health, development of the medical industry, and improving the quality of medical personnel training;

Whereas MHLW and MOHMIT, hereafter referred to as ‘Both sides’, share the view to work together to promote cooperation in healthcare sector of advanced studies of mutual interest.

Therefore, Both sides hereby have reached common recognition to explore opportunities for cooperation in healthcare sector by way of joint research and lectures in the following two areas:

- Improve skills on operating the endoscope
- Radiation therapy and the impact of effective irradiation methods on the human body
- However, it is not limited to the above two areas. If there is a proposal for more area and theme by one side, and the other side would consider in good faith on the proposal

Further, Both sides have reached common recognition to explore additional avenues through which Both sides might enhance and further their mutual interests. This Memorandum is intended only to provide the general principles and key terms for initial cooperation and negotiation. This Memorandum will commence from the date of its signing and the cooperation will be continued during a period of five years. The period

of cooperation under this Memorandum will automatically be extended for successive five-year periods, unless either side notifies in writing the other side not later than six months before the end of the appropriate period, on the desire of termination.

Signed in Tokyo on this 11th day of September 2013, in English.

For the Ministry of Health,  
Labour, and Welfare  
of Japan

For the Ministry of Health  
and Medical Industry  
of Turkmenistan