Results of “Survey of Institutions and Establishments for Long-term Care” for 2016

At the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, we compiled the results of “Survey of Institutions and Establishments for Long-term Care” for 2016, and hereby release them.

The “Survey of Institutions and Establishments for Long-term Care” is carried out to understand the use of nursing care services nationwide, their staff allocation and details of the services provided to the users, and to acquire basic data for measures concerning future nursing care services.

This Survey targeted all of the institutions and establishments in the Long-Term Care Insurance system* (a total of 381,336, including institutions covered by the Long-Term Care Insurance and establishments providing home-based services). It investigated the current status as of October 1, 2016.

We surveyed the numbers of such institutions and establishments as well as their capacity, which can be identified from the administrative information, using the basic questionnaire targeting the prefectures, and understand all of the numbers of the institutions and establishments. We also tabulated currently active institutions and establishments (a total of 372,277). In addition, we surveyed the numbers of their residents, users and staff based on the detailed questionnaire targeting the institutions and establishments, and tabulated the currently active institutions and establishments that had answered the questionnaire (a total of 321,962).

* They exclude home-visit rehabilitation, guidance for management of in-home medical long-term care, home-visit nursing and outpatient rehabilitation services (including services for preventive long-term care) deemed to be provided at medical care institutions.

[Key Survey Results]

1. Basic questionnaire results
   - The total number of establishments for long-term care services include 35,013 establishments for home-visit long-term care (up by 190 from the previous year), 23,038 daycare service establishments for long-term care (down by 20,368 YoY), and 21,063 community-based daycare service establishments for long-term care, which were small-scale daycare service establishments for long-term care reclassified in April 2016. <See Table 1 on Page 3>
   - The number of institutions covered by the Long-Term Care Insurance include 7,705 welfare facilities for the elderly requiring long-term care (up by 154 YoY), 4,241 healthcare facilities for the elderly requiring long-term care (up by 52 YoY), and 1,324 recuperative medical care facilities for the elderly requiring long-term care (down by 99 YoY). <See Table 1 on Page 3>

2. Detailed questionnaire results
   - Regarding those who used long-term care services in September 2016, looking at the number of times per user by service type, “home-visit long-term care” was used 19.3 times (previous year: 18.4 times), “daycare service for long-term care” was used 9.0 times (previous year: 8.7 times), and “community-based daycare service for long-term care” was used 8.2 times. <See Table 8 on Page 9>
   - Looking at the percentage distribution of the number of residents of institutions covered by the Long-Term Care Insurance in each institution type by care level, “Care Level 4” accounts for the highest percentage: 35.7% in welfare facilities for the elderly requiring long-term care, and 26.8% in healthcare facilities for the elderly requiring long-term care. <See Figure 7 on Page 15>
   - Looking at the percentage of those who left institutions covered by the Long-Term Care Insurance in September 2016 and returned to their “home”, healthcare facilities for the elderly requiring long-term care account for the highest percentage, 33.1% (previous year (2013): 31.7%). <See Figure 10 on Page 18>

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