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Results of Statistics of Medical Care Activities in Public Health Insurance for 2023

The Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare compiled the results of “Statistics of Medical Care Activities in Public Health Insurance” for 2023, and hereby releases them.

We prepare “Statistics of Medical Care Activities in Public Health Insurance” every year for the purpose of clarifying details of medical care activities, conditions of injuries/diseases, details of pharmacy dispensing activities, use of medicines, etc., concerning recipients of medical benefits under the health insurance system to obtain the basic data required for the administration of health insurance.

Among the receipts (health insurance claims of medical fees for medical care and dental care, and health insurance claims of dispensing fees for insured pharmacy) that were submitted to the prefectural branches of Health Insurance Claims Review and Reimbursement Services and the Federation of National Health Insurance Organizations, and then examined and determined as part of the examination for June 2023, this tabulation targets all of the receipts accumulated in National Database of Health Insurance Claims (NDB).

The results released in this tabulation are based on 87,602,058 medical care receipts, 19,837,566 dental care receipts, and 58,275,906 insured pharmacy receipts.

The number of receipts subject to the tabulation in 2023 increased by 6.5% compared to the previous year (the number in 2022 increased by 5.0% year on year). Refer to the reverse side for past percentage changes on previous year.

[Key Results]

1. Inpatient medical care [Page No. 3, Table 1, Figure 1]

- 60,230.4 points per case (up 1.6% YoY)

- 4,027.5 points per day (up 4.6% YoY)

2. Outpatient medical care [Page No. 4, Table 2, Figure 2]

- 1,480.9 points per case (down 0.0% YoY)

- 1,007.1 points per day (down 0.3% YoY)

3. Dental care [Page No. 11, Table 8, Figure 9]

- 1,279.5 points per case (up 0.1% YoY)

- 806.5 points per day (up 1.3% YoY)

4. Pharmacy dispensing [Page No. 13, Table 10, Figure 11]

- 1,065.3 points per case (down 0.5% YoY)

- 889.9 points per reception (down 2.2% YoY)

5. Use of generic drugs (the percentage based on the number of drug types)

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- 80.0% of total (up 1.8 points YoY)

- Hospitalization: 74.6% (up 1.4 points YoY)

- In-hospital prescription (outpatient medication): 67.7% (up 1.0 point YoY)

- Out-hospital prescription (pharmacy dispensing): 82.5% (up 1.8 points YoY)

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[Reference] Changes in the Number of Receipts, etc., Subject to Tabulation of Statistics of Medical Care Activities in Public Health Insurance (YoY Percentage Changes)

1. Number of cases

(Unit: %)

(Reviewed in June of each year)

	Total	Medical care		Dental care	Pharmacy dispensing
		Inpatient	Outpatient		
2019	△ 0.1	△ 0.9	△ 0.7	2.7	△ 0.1
2020	△ 19.3	△ 16.2	△ 20.0	△ 23.6	△ 17.0
2021	16.5	7.9	16.3	28.2	13.5
2022	5.0	1.7	4.9	4.4	5.5
2023	6.5	3.4	5.6	4.9	8.4

2. Number of days (number of prescriptions for pharmacy dispensing)

(Unit: %)

(Reviewed in June of each year)

	Total	Medical care		Dental care	Pharmacy dispensing
		Inpatient	Outpatient		
2019	△ 2.7	0.2	△ 3.7	△ 2.2	△ 2.6
2020	△ 19.2	△ 9.7	△ 21.6	△ 21.2	△ 18.7
2021	13.8	2.3	16.1	19.6	13.5
2022	3.7	△ 0.2	4.4	2.5	4.8
2023	6.1	0.4	6.0	3.7	10.3

3. Points

(Unit: %)

(Reviewed in June of each year)

	Total	Medical care		Dental care	Pharmacy dispensing
		Inpatient	Outpatient		
2019	0.8	1.3	0.6	△ 1.3	1.1
2020	△ 13.1	△ 11.8	△ 16.1	△ 15.5	△ 8.9
2021	12.6	10.1	17.1	22.9	5.7
2022	4.7	3.6	6.8	4.9	2.7
2023	5.7	5.0	5.6	5.0	7.9

4. Points per case

(Unit: %)

(Reviewed in June of each year)

	Total	Medical care		Dental care	Pharmacy dispensing
		Inpatient	Outpatient		
2019	1.0	2.2	1.3	△ 3.9	1.3
2020	7.8	5.3	4.9	10.7	9.7
2021	△ 3.4	2.0	0.7	△ 4.2	△ 6.8
2022	△ 0.3	1.8	1.8	0.5	△ 2.6
2023	△ 0.7	1.6	△ 0.0	0.1	△ 0.5

5. Points per day (points per reception for pharmacy dispensing)

(Unit: %)

(Reviewed in June of each year)

	Total	Medical care		Dental care	Pharmacy dispensing
		Inpatient	Outpatient		
2019	3.7	1.1	4.5	0.9	3.8
2020	7.6	△ 2.3	7.0	7.3	12.0
2021	△ 1.0	7.6	0.9	2.7	△ 6.8
2022	1.0	3.8	2.3	2.3	△ 2.1
2023	△ 0.3	4.6	△ 0.3	1.3	△ 2.2