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Results of “Survey of Long-term Care Benefit Expenditures” for 2017

At the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, we compiled the results of “Survey of Long-term Care Benefit Expenditures” for 2017, and hereby release them.

The “Survey of Long-term Care Benefit Expenditures” is carried out to understand the current status of benefit expenditures for long-term care services, and to acquire the basic data required to operate the Long-Term Care Insurance system smoothly and plan its measures.

The scope of the Survey includes all of the claims of long-term care benefit expenditure, claims of comprehensive preventive long-term care and daily life support service expenditure, and benefit management slips that were examined by the Federation of National Health Insurance Association of all the prefectures. However, it does not include welfare equipment purchase costs, house modification costs and other costs that are paid directly by municipalities (by redemption).

Of all the monthly reports released every month, the results released herein represent the portion examined as of May 2017 (in principle, the month following the month of service provided is the examination month) up to the portion examined as of April 2018, which have been arranged into a yearly report.

[Key Survey Results]

- Current status of users of preventive long-term care services and long-term care services (Table 1 and Table 2-1 (on Page 3), Table 2-2 (on Page 4))

• Number of actual users per year (*): 6,041,200 persons (down by 96,900 persons (1.6%) from the previous year)

Preventive long-term care services: 1,228,100 persons (down by 272,000 persons (18.1%) YoY)

Long-term care services: 5,095,800 persons (up by 120,300 persons (2.4%) YoY)

* It refers to the number of those who received a service for preventive long-term care or a long-term care service at least once within the one year between April 2017 and March 2018. Anyone who received a service twice or more is also counted as one person. However, anyone whose insurance identification number was changed during that period is counted as a different user.

- Current status of costs per user of preventive long-term care services and long-term care services (those examined as of April 2018) (Table 5 and Table 6 (on Page 7))

• Cost per user: 170,600 yen (up by 10,300 yen from the same month the year before)

Preventive long-term care services: 27,500 yen (down by 7,600 yen YoY)

Long-term care services: 194,200 yen (up by 3,000 yen YoY)

- Cost per user by prefecture (those examined as of April 2018) - Prefectures with high cost (Figure 3 (on Page 8))

<Preventive long-term care services>

1. Saga: 35,200 yen

2. Nagasaki: 33,300 yen

3. Yamagata: 30,300 yen

<Long-term care services>

1. Okinawa: 212,600 yen

2. Ishikawa: 208,100 yen

3. Tottori: 207,900 yen

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