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- C Enable accessing one's health and medical information via the portal site called "Mynaportal," etc., and build a system with a convenient user interface (UI). In addition, by developing the framework, information which can be accessed by the patients themselves (medical examination data, claims/prescription data, electronic medical record data, long-term care data etc.) can be also accessed by medical institutions and long-term care institutions.
 - →This will enable people to access their health and medical data throughout their lives, as well as enabling medical institutions and long-term care institutions to provide optimal medical and long-term care services based on the needs of patients and users.

		FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	
5	Medical checkup/examination data							
ಕ	Medical checkups for infants and pregnant women	Accessil	ole via "Mynaporta	al" (from June 202	20)			
Bui	Specific health checkups		Acc	essible via "Myna	portal" (from Octo	ober 2021)		
ilding their	Employer health checkups (Health checkups for employees under 40)	Legal and administrative preparations/system improvements Accessible via "Mynaportal" (from FY2023)						
a system that e own health and	Municipality examinations Examinations for cancer, osteoporosis, periodontal diseases, and hepatitis virus	Data standardization and organization of system requirements	System improveme	ents A	ccessible via "My	naportal" (from ea	arly FY2022)	
	School physical checkups (Elementary, junior high, and high schools, and universities including private schools)	Standard recording format formulation	Pilot demonstration system improveme	, j	rovide information as	s soon as	ccessible via "Mynaportal" from FY2022) Available at all schools ationwide from FY2024	
nables medica	Vaccinations Class A: Diphtheria, pertussis, etc. Class B: Influenza in the elderly, pneumococcus		ination history da operate COVID-19 va em (VRS)	ccination *	7 accessible via " COVID-19-related info vailable at as early a s		June 2017)	
people al information	Develop an environmental arrangement to accelerate the utilization of safe and secure private PHR services	Develop guidelines			arty Vith Start	operation of third-pa m, etc. to provide ap services FY2023)	arty certification propriate private	
	Investigate suitable access environments with superior usability		Initiatives to improve the convenience of "Mynaportal" Investigate suitable access environments with favorable usability, such as a framework that enables easy access to historical health data (including measures other than "Mynaportal")			results (seque	on the evaluation ntially from FY2024) sequentially as available, 2024.	

		FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025
Building a system that enables	Claims/prescription data						
	Pharmaceutical data (Past prescription/dispensing information based on	System improve	ments	Accessible via "N	/lynaportal" (from	October 2021)	
	<u>Electronic prescription data</u> (<u>Real-time prescription/dispensing information</u>)	Organize system requirements	System improveme		essible via "Myna m summer 2022)	r -	
	Health data: •Medical institution names, etc. •Surgery and dialysis data, etc. •Medical management data, etc.	Organize system requirements			ccessible via "My rom summer 2022	l .	
	Medical information for children who require medical care		ull-scale operation of system EIS" (From July 2020)		based on the operational transportation, while taking	stem needs, including impro status, such as use during g into account, e.g., the tre nic medical record informa	emergency nd toward
	Electronic medical records, long-term care data, etc.						
	<u>Test result/allergy data</u>	Consider the prior data based on tec issues, etc.	ity of accessible hnical and practical	Organize system re conduct system im	-	Accessible v etc. (from FY202	ia "Mynaportal", 4)
	Notified diagnosis data		od of enabling the ified diagnosis data and practical issues,	Consider a specific frar notified diagnosis data, requirements, conduct improvements etc.	organize system	Accessible v etc. (from FY202	ia "Mynaportal", 4)
s people	Imaging data	images, and usefulness f	e range of imaging data, an exchange framework or one's own health man and practical issues, etc	to achieve req agement based sys	ganize system uirements, conduct tem improvements,	Accessible v etc. (from FY202	a "Mynaportal", 4)
le	Long-term care data	Develop feedback function for database called "CHASE"	unction for atabase called CHASE"		etc. in units of		based on data from of next system, etc.
	Other data		range of information es	chnical and practical issuessential for users and longenables access to nation	g-term care sites, requi	rements, uct system ovements, etc.	ccessible via lynaportal," etc. equentially from (2024)
		Consider the priority of accessible data based on technical and practical issues, organize system requirements, conduct system improvements, etc.					

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		FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025
Promoting	Framework that enables access to patient data by medical institutions, etc.		tients (medical examines FY2020) ity examinations, vaccination ips, etc.), reach a consensus g an additional burden on icchedule by the end of FY2021	emergend Ele can Specific medical ex	cription data, electronic m in which data can be acces y. ctronic prescription da be accessed from sur camination data/pharn	medical record data, lo sed by identity verification in o ta (real-time prescription nmer 2022	ong-term care data, ase of disaster and dispensing data);
utilization of medical records in I	Standardize data to be included in electronic medical records, etc. to enable data sharing between medical institutions		Develop framework supporting technical standards which enable exchanging data with different electronic medical record systems and PHR.	Build into medical institution network Consider data (image data, etc.) which will be shared with PHR, etc. Digital Agency), bundation (*) to make ecord data de and reach a	Share data sequentia (sequentially from F) Organize system requirements, conduct system improvements, etc.	ally, starting from suppor (2022) Start the operation (sequentially fro	on of the system m FY2024)
medical a	Standardize long-term care data to enable data sharing between long-term care institutions, and between long- term care institutions and medical institutions		Survey regarding the sharing and standardization of long-term care data	With the IT Office (Digita ideal foundation to make available nationwide, incl term care record support conclusion.	long-term care data luding data stored in long-	Organize issues ba described on the le development	
and long-term care	Promote evidence-based long-term care that supports independence and prevents functional decline, etc.	Develop feedback function for database called "CHASE" Start concatenation analysis of NDB/long-term care DB	Care institution Verify the effect of inder "CHASE," etc. Integrate the operation of "CHASE" and "VISIT," start concatenation analysis with long-term care DB	ence-based long-ter ns and users (from pendence support using Organize additional items for a new data collection system	data Develop the next system	Realize advanc long-term care operating next	ed evidence-based based on data by system (from FY2024
		care when operating "	unified name will be used CHASE" and "VISIT" integ e Information system For E	-	standing and achieving the	permeation of evidence-ba	ised long-term

⁽LIFE: Long-term care Information system For Evidence)

		FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025
Promoting utilization o medical records in medical and long-term care	Build effective collaboration structure between public health centers and regional medicine		Consider amendm Build a framework to share essential medical information between relevant parties (health centers, medical institutions, etc.) to ensure the provision of home visits and online medical care to those recovering from COVID-19 at home (from FY2021).	framewo	and build a similar rk for infectious other than COVID-	health centers at assuming an em	e collaboration between nd medical institutions ergency for all es (from FY2024)
zation of ords in ng-term	<u>Other</u>		system and the efficient how to support the efficience of the support the efficience of the support th	ent confirmation of decis ifforts of local government nal medical and long-ter	nts and technical/practic	the emergency medical organs, sequentially cons al issues, etc. to contribu the sharing and utilization	ite to
Promoting of genomic medicine	<u>"Action Plan for Whole-</u> Genome Analysis"		return the results of w discovery, and deliver	hole-genome analysis, en new personalized medic Utilize the results of versonalized medic patients and patients for whom the results FY2021). Income trest	tc. to patients, as well a ine, etc. to patients (fror whole-genome analys whose samples are of whole-genome ar crease the number o sults of whole-genon atment for relevant	sis, etc. for medical to stored in biobanks or alysis, etc. can be re of medical institution ne analysis, etc. for patients (from FY20	research and drug reatment to new analysis centers, turned (from s that utilize the medical 022).
Developing the	Initiative on health insurance claims review & reimbursement services (Health Insurance Claims Review & Reimbursement Services and National Health Insurance Organizations)		Review & Reimbursem Firstly, operations will (Online Confirmation S Launch n for Health Reimburs Unify computer checkin Go through the examin unification for each inst unification will be confi System upgrade to ena joint use by Health Inst Services and National H	ent Services and the Na be launched for a system ystem for Health Insural ew system for review & I Insurance Claims Revie ement Services (from Se Publish incorpo ations of both institutio ations of review standar itution (the period requi	ional Health Insurance (that allows the My Nun nce Qualification operation reimbursement w & 900 (wi computer checking ru rated into systems of ns nationwide. ds for national red to complete the oud computing and Reimbursement rations	hber Card to be used as ons) (sequential expansions) (sequential expansion 6 of reviews completed thin 2 years after the state les in a file format that medical institutions, end Launch renewed comparison	a health insurance card on). by computer checking art of the new system) t can be easily tc. (from FY2022)
foundation			Joint development to realize s *Immediately conduct verifica apart from review area. *Consider the possibility of ut Related to the leveling needs of medical instit	hared use of both institutions in ations including cost effectivene ilizing Gov-Cloud (tentative nam with quali funct Conse Consi years of review & reimbursemen utions, etc. in the event of	n claims review & reimbursements s and draw conclusions with re- regard to Health Insurance by of home-based reviews, ions by the end of FY2022, plidate the review office fun der prompt abolition of the based on further progress operations, continuously c a pandemic or natural disas	ctions into 14 locations nati 4 branch offices which will of digitization and work sty onsider the respond to the ter, considering the COVID-	eimbursement area, etc., n. ement Services, verify the blidate the review office ponwide (from Oct. 2022). be established in next 10 le reform.

(Note 1) vvnile ensuring consistency with system optimization in the national government, incorporated administrative agencies, local public organizations, and quasi-public fields, take steps in advance accordingly to support services that can be brought (Note 2) Optimize the schedule as needed according to the progress of each project.

< Glossary >

- **Data-based Health Management Initiatives :** Government policy for further lengthening the healthy lifespan of citizens and providing effective and efficient health, medical care, and long-term care services, by remaking ICT infrastructure, and promoting organic linkage of data in pertinent fields as well as use of ICT and other technological innovations, so that the focus in ICT utilization in the fields of health, medical care, and long-term care is shifted from suppliers to patients, citizens, and users.
- **Mynaportal :** Website operated by the government at which every citizen is assigned their own web page where they can view their own data, search for various administrative procedures, and file online applications in a one-stop fashion.
- medical examination data : Data on medical examinations carried out to assess overall health status, or data on the results of health checkups.
- **claims data**: Data on health insurance claims made by medical institutions to insurers for insured medical care received by patients. **prescription data**: Data indicating that a physician, etc. has determined medication to be necessary for a patient's illness, selected the necessary pharmaceuticals, and specified the amount, dosage and administration, period of use, etc.
- electronic medical record data : Medical care data produced, recorded, and accessed at a medical site where it was entered into an electronic medical record. This data includes: patient attributes, insurance data, main complaint, clinical history, test results, injury/disease name, and treatment plan/progress.
- long-term care data : Data produced, recorded, and accessed at long-term care sites.
- medical checkups for infants : Medical examinations to check the health of infants, mandated for implementation by municipalities based on the Maternal and Child Health Act.
- medical checkups for pregnant women : Medical examinations to periodically check the health status of pregnant women and their unborn children, mandated for implementation by municipalities based on the Maternal and Child Health Act.
- specific health checkups : Medical examinations focusing on metabolic syndrome for people 40 to 74 years old, to prevent lifestylerelated diseases. These checkups are mandated for implementation by medical insurers based on the Act on Assurance of Medical Care for Elderly People.
- employer health checkups (heath checkups for employees under 40) : Health examinations of workers conducted by physicians and mandated for implementation by business operators based on the Industrial Safety and Health Act.
- **municipality examinations :** Examinations for cancer, osteoporosis, periodontal diseases, and hepatitis virus, etc. conducted by municipalities for residents based on the Health Promotion Act.
- examination for cancer : Clinical testing to detect cancer, conducted by municipalities for residents based on the Health Promotion Act.
- examination for osteoporosis : Clinical testing to detect osteoporosis, conducted by municipalities for residents based on the Health Promotion Act.
- examination for periodontal diseases : Clinical testing to detect periodontal diseases, conducted by municipalities for residents based on the Health Promotion Act.
- hepatitis virus examination : Clinical testing to detect hepatitis virus, conducted by municipalities for residents based on the Health Promotion Act.
- school physical checkups : Medical examinations conducted by physicians for schoolchildren, mandated for implementation by schools based on the School Health and Safety Act.
- VRS : System operated by the government for recording the vaccination status of individuals, including vaccinated person data and vaccine record data, for vaccination against COVID-19.
- **PHR**: Abbreviation of "Personal Health Record." Generally speaking, this is personal health and medical data spanning a person's life (e.g., medical checkup (examination) data, vaccination history, pharmaceutical data, medical care related data such as test results, and daily vital signs measured by the person).
- historical health data : Data on an individual's health, spanning their entire life.
- pharmaceutical data : Past pharmaceutical prescription and dispensing data based on claims.
- electronic prescription data : Data with the digital signature of a physician, saved electronically in a specific file format, indicating items included in prescriptions, as specified in the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Medical Practitioners' Act.
- medical management data : Data relating to medical care remuneration items, etc. for evaluating patient guidance by physicians and medical management itself
- children who require medical care : Children who continue to use a respirator, gastric fistula, or the like after long-term admission in an NICU, etc., or who require routine medical care such as suction of phlegm.
- **MEIS**: System operated by the government enabling rapid sharing of necessary patient data by physicians and medical institutions nationwide (particularly emergency care physicians) when a child with disabilities requiring medical care or a similar person faces an emergency or an unexpected disaster or accident.
- **notified diagnosis data :** Injury/disease name in claim already notified to the necessary patient as a precondition for providing data to a medical institution, etc., when developing a system enabling checking of claims data at medical institutions, etc. nationwide.
- **imaging data**: Imaging data accessed by physicians, etc. when diagnosing the disease condition, etc. of a patient. This includes images representing the anatomical form and physiological/biochemical function of bones and organs, captured using X-rays and nuclear magnetic resonance, etc.
- **key image :** Image data that was decisive for patient diagnosis.
- **CHASE**: Database system operated by the government for gathering and accumulating, in a complementary fashion, data not collected in the long-term care DB system and VISIT, from long-term care institutions nationwide, in order to realize long-term care where the effectiveness of self-reliance support, etc. is backed up by scientific evidence.
- **Online Confirmation System for Health Insurance Qualification :** System operated by Health Insurance Claims Review & Reimbursement Services, etc. whose core consists of a function for confirming insurance qualifications using a My Number Card and health insurance card, and a function for assigning claims to the correct insurer based on confirmation of the patient's insurance qualification information. The system also incorporates a specific health checkup data management system with the function of enabling the person concerned to confirm specific health checkup records by using services such as data linkage between insurers of specific health checkup data and Mynaportal, and a medical fee and pharmaceutical data management system with the function of providing information to the person concerned, etc. via Mynaportal, etc.. This system has a role as infrastructure for realizing data-based health management initiatives.
- **common government infrastructure :** Infrastructure operated by the government, centered on common ministry and agency systems and small/medium-scale information systems, for sharing and providing IT resources needed for operation of systems maintained and operated by each ministry or agency.
- **long-term care record support system :** "System with functions such as management of records relating to vital signs, and rehabilitation, care plans, and care records focusing on the three main elements of long-term care (bathing, excretion, and eating), used by long-term care providers."

- IT Office (Digital Agency) : "Government organization (existing until Aug. 31, 2021) which played the role of secretariat for the Strategic Headquarters for the Promotion of an Advanced Information and Telecommunications Network Society (IT Strategic Headquarters), and carried out tasks such as general coordination relating to improving citizen convenience and administrative operations through the use of IT.The Digital Agency is a collaborative public-private organization established on Sept. 1, 2021, taking the IT Office as its parent body. It is a government organization which promotes digital transformation of the entire society, especially through efforts such as unified management of the government's information systems, etc. and budget implementation."
- evidence-based long-term care : Long-term care for the elderly based on scientific evidence for supporting independence and preventing functional decline.
- NDB : Anonymized database operated by the government, collecting and recording claims data, specific health checkup data, and specialized health guidance data.
- **long-term care DB**: Database operated by the government for collecting and managing digital data such as certification of needed long-term care, and long-term care payment statements.
- **VISIT**: System operated by the government, developed to further improve the quality of rehabilitation by collecting data such as plans relating to rehabilitation management of outpatient and home-visit rehabilitation facilities nationwide, analyzing that data as a whole, and providing feedback on the results to the facilities.
- **Long-term care Information system For Evidence :** Due to the start of integrated operation of VISIT and CHASE operated by the government, this is the name given to the unified system to improve understanding and dissemination of evidence-based long-term care.
- **health center :** Public institutions, established by prefectures, cities designated by government ordinance, core cities, and other cities or special wards established by government ordinance, which carry out various types of work relating to community health.
- Action Plan for whole-genome analysis : Plan for conducting whole-genome analysis, and thereby dramatically improving the precision of treatment for individuals, and promoting better medical care for patients with cancer and intractable diseases, etc. through approaches such as development of medical care for cancer and intractable diseases, etc. by providing new treatments for patients in cases where there are no treatments, and promoting personalized medicine. The first version of this plan was formulated by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare on Dec. 20, 2019.
- **Biobank :** System for preserving some blood, or tissues extracted during surgery or testing after use for diagnosis, together with medical data, employing those samples for medical R&D on new methods of testing, treatment, and prevention, etc., and putting them to use for purposes such as elucidating the causes of illness and developing future medical care.
- whole-genome analysis : Testing method expected to help elucidate the causes of cancer, and contribute in areas such as development of new diagnostic and treatment methods based on that, by testing the whole genome (i.e., all genes (about 25,000 in total) and all regions other than genes) and thereby exploring domains where the relationship between gene function and illness is almost completely unknown.
- health insurance claims review & reimbursement services : Organizations which review whether individual treatments carried out at insured medical institutions under contract from insurers, etc. conform to insured medical care rules (Rules for Health Insurance-covered Medical Facilities and Medical Practitioners, Table of Points of Remuneration for Diagnosis and Treatment, and related notices), and then make payment. There are two of these organizations: the Health Insurance Claims Review & Reimbursement Services and the National Health Insurance Organizations.
- **Health Insurance Claims Review & Reimbursement services :** One of the health insurance claims review and reimbursement services. After reviewing whether billing of fees for medical care by an insured medical institution (pharmacy) is correct, the organization bills the health insurance society (insurer), etc., and reimburses the insured medical institution with the medical care fees paid by the health insurance society.
- National Health Insurance Organizations : One of the health insurance claims review and reimbursement services. A public corporation established jointly by the insurer members (prefectures, municipalities, national health insurance societies) to carry out work to achieve their goals. These societies have been established in each of Japan's 47 prefectures.
- My Number Card : Plastic card with photo and IC chip, issued by the Japan Agency for Local Authority Information Systems, listing a person's name, address, date of birth, sex, and my number (individual number). This can be used as an ID card for confirming the person's identity, as well as for various services such as municipal services, and electronic filings using digital certificates such as e-tax.
- **health insurance card :** Card certifying that the person is insured by (a member of) national health insurance. The holder can receive insured medical care by presenting the health insurance card at the service counter of an insured medical institution (pharmacy).
- **new system for review & reimbursement :** System used when carrying out the tasks of receipt, review, and reimbursement of claims, carried out by Health Insurance Claims Review & Reimbursement Services. In the new system released in September 2021, cloud computing technology is incorporated, center servers are centralized, and a system has been built enabling flexible response to changes in operations (modularization). The new system implements features such as a function for simultaneously viewing claims by reviewers and staff, an AI-based function for claim sorting, and an automatic reporting function for visualizing differences in review results.
- **computer check :** Checking work carried out by Health Insurance Claims Review & Reimbursement Services in which calculation rules and other items stipulated in the Table of Points of Remuneration for Diagnosis and Treatment, etc. are implemented in a computer, and applied to the medical care specifics of claims billed from insured medical institutions (medical, dental) and insured pharmacies.
- **comprehensive National Health Insurance system :** Nationwide standard system operated by the All-Japan Federation of National Health Insurance Organizations and used by the National Health Insurance Organizations of the 47 prefectures of Japan. Online billing systems developed individually by the All-Japan Federation of National Health Insurance Organizations and various operations systems such as electronic claims processing systems, have been rebuilt in an integrated fashion to suit the characteristics of review and reimbursement work at the National Health Insurance Organizations, and a system has been developed enabling processing of various operations systems through data linkage.
- **Gov-Cloud :** Environment, maintained by the government, for utilization of multiple cloud services (IaaS, PaaS, SaaS) providing shared infrastructure and functions for government information systems.
- Verify the quality of home-based reviews : Home-based review by reviewers and review clerical work by staff implemented by Health Insurance Claims Review & Reimbursement Services. The purpose is to secure review time during the state of emergency which became an issue due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and to reduce the burden on staff of long commutes after centralization of review clerical work.
- **incorporated administrative agencies :** Organizations formed by splitting off certain types of clerical work or tasks within the sectors of policy implementation from the administrative activities of each ministry or agency, and granting the organization in charge of the pertinent area qualification as an independent corporation.
- **quasi-public fields :** Fields for which there is a high need among citizens, such as health, medicine, long-term care, education, and disaster prevention, and where the nation's budget and other resources must be used efficiently and effectively.