Efforts to Shorten Average Length of Stay

Basic Direction

O Promote health expenditure regulation in middle and long-term by making efforts to shorten average length of stay, which is long in international standards.

Specific Efforts

- O Efforts such as differentiation/coordination of medical functions, promotion of in-home care, and conversion of beds for long-term care (long-term care beds) into long-term care facilities, etc, are conducted for patients to be able to receive appropriate medical care in response to condition and timing of their diseases.
- O Among these, for conversion of long-term care beds, the target number of long-term care beds in FY 2012 is set to approximately 220,000 beds.

(The sum of the target numbers of each prefecture. Long-term care beds in FY 2006: 230,000 beds) Conversion is continuously supported and the necessary number will be verified.

~ Image of medical coordination system in a case of cerebral apoplexy ~

