

# Overview of Cancer Control

## Basic Idea

- Promote measures in a comprehensive and systematic manner, taking into consideration that cancer has been the main cause of death due to disease in Japan and the enforcement of the "Cancer Control Act" in April 2007 as well as the formulation of the "Basic Plan to Promote Cancer Control Programs" made in June 2007.

## 1. Promotion of radiation therapy/chemotherapy and training of doctors specialized in this area

- (1) Training of staff specialized in cancer medical care including cancer specialists
  - Training of staff specialized in cancer medical care
  - Construct a system to train specialized doctors
- (2) Enhance the functions of core cancer treatment hospitals
  - Increase the number of core hospitals and raise the unit price of subsidies (Increase in cancer registration practitioners)
- (3) Promotion of joint international clinical trials and early approval of new drugs

## 2. Implementation of palliative care from the early stage of treatment

- (1) Improve the quality of palliative care and promote the appropriate use of medical narcotics
  - Train specialists utilizing the internet
  - Palliative care training for doctors engaged in cancer medical care
  - Prefectural program for emphasized promotion of cancer control (Palliative care training part)
  - Training of medical professional through training of techniques
  - Promotion of appropriate use of medical narcotics
- (2) Promotion of in-home palliative care measures
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  - Implementation of in-home hospice care training, etc.

## 3. Promotion of cancer registration

- Promotion of cancer registrations at hospitals
- Implement surveys/accuracy management and guidance regarding cancer registration

## 4. Promotion of cancer prevention/early discovery and even distribution of medical levels

- (1) Promotion of cancer prevention/early discovery
  - ① Promotion of cancer prevention and dissemination/enlightenment
    - Related expenses for enlightenment
      - Making of brochures, etc, by Center for Cancer Control and Information Service
      - Promotion of receiving cancer screening through cooperation with companies
      - Health support measure for women
    - Research on emergency measures to overcome hepatitis, etc
  - ② Dissemination of effective high-quality cancer screening
    - Establishment of implementation headquarters in order to improve the percentage of those having cancer screening
    - Mammography telediagnosis support model programs
    - Emergency preparation mammography coils for breast cancer programs
- (2) Promotion of even distribution of cancer medical care levels
  - Improvement of information and support programs provided by consultation support centers
- (3) Establishment of a system to provide consultation support and information regarding cancer medical care
  - Support for new programs which takes into account the differing regional characteristics with the formulation of the Prefectural Plan to Promote Cancer Control Programs

## 5. Promotion of cancer research

- Further promotion of research on cancer control to realize a reduction in the number of cancer related deaths, relieve the pain of all
  - Elucidation of ethnical cause in investigational data for early recognition