

## Basic Plan

...Presentation of the bill to the 2011 ordinary Diet session→Enforcement in FY 2013  
(A phased implementation from FY 2011, securing resources)

### Establishment of an unified system in which the entire society supports child and childcare ~Realization of unifying systems, resources and benefits~

Roles of the national government and prefectures

~Mechanism for multi-layered support to cities, towns and villages that are responsible for implementation~

[National government]

- Planning of the new system
- Necessary support for smooth operation of the system including providing cities, towns and villages with the Comprehensive Grant for Child and Childcare (tentative name)

[Prefectures]

- Implementing support projects (wide area adjustment, information provision, etc.) for cities, towns and villages as wide area municipalities
- Implementing projects under the leadership of prefectures (social care, etc.)

Authority and duties of cities, towns and villages

- Benefit planning in the local discretion in accordance with each local situation
- Providing and securing service and benefits for resident

- (1) Duty to ensure that children in need of service and benefits receive them
- (2) Duty to provide quality-secured service
- (3) Duty to support proper use of appropriate service
- (4) Duty to pay service expenses and benefits
- (5) Duty to secure planned service system and to establish the infrastructure

Share of the cost by the entire society (national and local governments, employers, individuals)

- Discussing on contributions by employers and individuals to "Benefits for Work-Life Balance Support/Childcare/Infant Education (tentative name)
- Implementation premised on securing permanent resources by the national and local governments
- Allocating necessary expenses to cities, towns and villages to enable them to provide benefits in their discretion as the Comprehensive Grant for Child and Childcare (tentative name) from the Child and Childcare Account (tentative name)
- Providing benefits according to the local situation by cities, towns and villages in the Child and Childcare Special Account (tentative Name)

Discussing on establishment of Child and Childcare Conference (tentative name)

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Unification of the structures of new system implementation

- Discussing on establishment of Ministry of Child and Family (tentative name) on purpose of unified implementation of the new system

\* Discussion on the system from the viewpoint of promoting the work-life balance

\* System of securing local governments' discretion from the viewpoint of local autonomy as much as possible

## Benefit planning

