

Memorandum of Cooperation
between the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare of Japan and
the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Lithuania
on Cooperation in the Field of Health

The Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare of Japan and the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Lithuania (hereinafter referred to as “the Participants”), recognizing the importance of health for human development, intending to develop mutually beneficial cooperation between Participants in the field of health, acting within their competences, in accordance with the legislation applicable within their territories and the international obligations of both countries, have decided on the following:

This Memorandum of Cooperation (MOC) is not legally binding and it is not intended to supersede national or international obligations by which the Participants are bound.

Paragraph 1 Purpose and Areas of Cooperation

The purpose of this MOC is to strengthen cooperation between the Participants on health and support cooperation between health specialists of two countries. This MOC is intended to facilitate cooperation in areas of mutual interest. Areas of cooperation will include, but will not be restricted to:

1. Biomedical and clinical research;
2. Rare and undiagnosed diseases;
3. Oncology; and
4. Other areas of mutual interest.

Paragraph 2 Forms of Cooperation

The forms of cooperation may include, but are not necessarily limited to, the following collaborative activities:

1. Exchange of information and experiences;
2. Exchange of delegation and health specialists;
3. Jointly organize conference and seminar;
4. Other forms of mutual interest.

Paragraph 3 Financing

The costs of cooperation activities will be funded as mutually determined. In principle, the sending Participant will bear the costs of international travel, accommodation, internal travel and any other costs in connection with the visit.

All activities under this MOC will be subject to the availability of funds.

Paragraph 4 Consultation

All disputes and discrepancies which may arise on interpretation and application of this MOC will be settled by negotiations and consultations between Participants.

Paragraph 5 Duration

The cooperation under this MOC commences on the date of its signature and will remain for five (5) years. This MOC will be automatically renewed for successive periods of five (5) years unless one of the Participants gives the other Participant written notice of termination of the cooperation under this MOC at least six (6) months prior to the end of its duration.

The termination of the cooperation under this MOC will not affect the development and culmination of programs, projects and exchanges decided by the Participants that are in execution by the date of denunciation or termination, which will continue in execution up to their due ending.

Paragraph 6 Modification

This MOC may be modified by mutual consent between the Participants in writing. Any modification of this MOC will commence in line with Paragraph 5.

This MOC was signed in duplicate at Geneva, on 21 May, 2018 in the English language.

For the Ministry of Health, Labour
and Welfare of Japan

For the Ministry of Health of
the Republic of Lithuania