

To  
Expectant  
Mothers,



## The Japan Obstetric Compensation System for Cerebral Palsy

Effective as of May 2021



# Are you registered in the compensation system, in case your child develops severe cerebral palsy?



### Q. What system is it?

This system applies when a child has **severe cerebral palsy** after birth and meets the qualifications.

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Prompt compensation for the economic burden affecting families with children who have severe cerebral palsy.

## A total of **30 million yen** is provided

(Lump sum payment for preparation, 6 million yen + periodic installment payments for compensation, 24 million yen (annual amount 1.2 million yen x 20 installments))

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**Report on the cause analyzed by an expert is provided.**



The cause is investigated and measures to prevent recurrence are proposed.

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**Improved quality in obstetric care will lead to an environment where safe childbirth is possible.**



A medical care provision system is ensured and is useful in addressing the shortage of obstetricians.

**Expectant mothers do not need to pay any premium.**

In the operation of this system, it is partially financed using part of the childbirth Lump-Sum Allowance and childcare insurance payment paid by the insurer at the time of birth is used as an insurance premium to cover financial resources.

### Q. I don't know if my child will develop cerebral palsy. Do I still have to register?

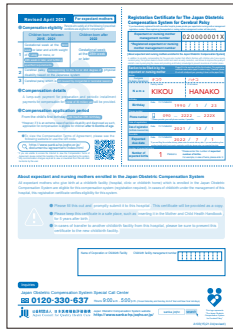
## In Japan, **almost 100 % of births are registered.**

All expectant mothers who give birth at a childbirth facility which is enrolled in this system are **eligible and are required to register.**

## Q. How do I register?

If the childbirth facility is enrolled in the system, you will be provided a registration certificate.

Please fill out the registration certificate and submit it through the childbirth facility. Please keep the copy in a safe place for 5 years after birth.



Certificate

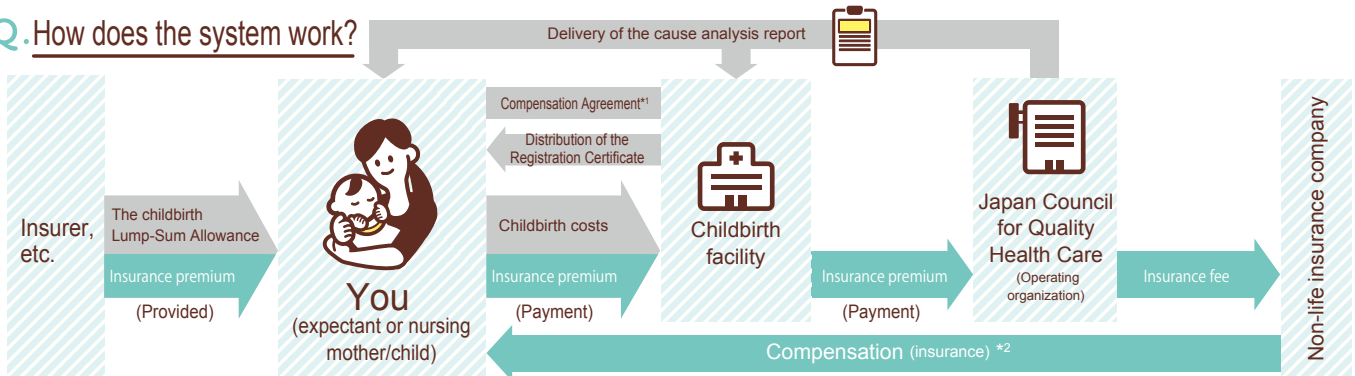
## Q. I don't know if the childbirth facility where I plan to give birth is enrolled in the system...

99.9% of childbirth facilities in Japan are enrolled in the system.

You can search for childbirth facilities that are enrolled in the system using the QR code on the right.



## Q. How does the system work?



\*1: Compensation is contracted using the Standard Compensation Agreement established by the operating organization.

\*2: If the operating organization approves of compensation eligibility, it requests compensation payment from the insurance company in behalf of the childbirth facility to pay you the compensation.

- This is a system for childbirth facilities to enroll. In cases where the birth occurs at a childbirth facility enrolled in the system (delivery after 22 weeks of gestation), an amount equivalent to the insurance premium will be added to the childbirth Lump-Sum Allowance paid by the insurer. The childbirth facility will pay the insurance premium for compensation.

## Q. What are the conditions for compensation eligibility? Persons who satisfy all of the following ① ~ ③ are eligible for compensation.

① Children born between 2015-2021

Gestational week at the 32<sup>nd</sup> week or later and a birth weight of 1,400 g or more

or

Gestational week at the 28<sup>th</sup> week or later → fulfilling specified hypoxic requirements.

① Children born after January 2022

Gestational week at the 28<sup>th</sup> week or later

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eligible regardless of birth weight.

What is the compensation application period?

From the child's first birthday until his/her fifth birthday

- ② Cerebral palsy corresponding to the level to qualify for the first or second degree of the physical disability certificate.\*3
- ③ Cause of cerebral palsy is not congenital or due to neonatal factors\*4

\*3: Approval of compensation eligibility is not based on the approval criteria for the physical disability certificate.

\*4: Even in cases where congenital or neonatal factors are present, if such factors are not clearly the primary cause for cerebral palsy, the case will be covered.

If it is an extreme case of serious disability and diagnosed as such, application for compensation is eligible for children after 6 months of age.

## Q. What if I am not sure whether my child is eligible for compensation or not?

Please first inquire with your childbirth facility.



## Inquiries

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