

National Health Insurance for Foreign Residents (*gaikokujin no kokumin kenkō hoken*)

After enrolling in National Health Insurance...

① Using Your Insurance Card

If you become injured or sick, you can receive medical treatment at only a third of the cost by presenting your health insurance card at any medical institution.

② Paying National Health Insurance Tax

Japan's National Health Insurance is a system designed around mutual support, and implemented to make sure every citizen has access to appropriate medical treatment in case of an injury or sickness. In other words, it is a program in which every resident pays premiums to reduce the individual burden of medical expenses. This system is funded by National Health Insurance tax, therefore those who are enrolled must make tax payments.

National Health Insurance tax is broken down into 3 parts as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} & (1) \text{ "Health Care Tax" } + (2) \text{ "Elderly Support Tax" } + (3) \text{ "Nursing Care Tax" } \\ & = \text{ National Health Insurance Tax} \end{aligned}$$

National Health Insurance tax will be charged from the month that qualifications for enrollment are met. If your enrollment notification arrives late, you will be asked to pay the amount for the previous month.

The annual tax amount is divided up and collected from July through the following February (8 terms).

◆Please ensure you have a valid address that can receive mail.

Insurance notifications, invoices and other National Health Insurance information will be sent by mail addressed to the head of the household. Please make sure these documents are able to be delivered to your address.

Additionally, if you have trouble understanding any Japanese written on documents you receive, please contact the Kasama City Hall.

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