

JAPAN PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES and PROGRAMS in FY2009[□]

1. General Goal

The Japan Public Health Association (JPHA) is an incorporated foundation devoting to promotion of public health and improvement of healthy life of the Japanese nation. The activities and programs of JPHA are as follows;

- to conduct researches on public health measures
- to encourage and to subsidize public health researches
- to coordinate activities of public health organizations
- to host academic meetings and training courses
- to disseminate public health information
- to publish books and journals on public health
- to conduct other programs in order to achieve the goals of JPHA

2. Nationwide Events

(1) 13th National Conference on Community Health (place and time undecided)

The estimated number of the participants is about 2,000.

The Minister of Health, Labor and Welfare, the Chairman of JPHA and the Chairman of the National Federation of Community Health will give commendations.

Commemorative lectures and symposia on community health, health promotion and environment health will be held.

(2) 31st National Academic Meeting of Public Health Nurses, December 17-18, 2008, in Tokushima

The estimated number of the participants was 850.

Special lectures, symposia, workshops, academic sessions and educational lectures were held.

[□] From April 2009 through March 2010

3. Dissemination and Enlightening Activities of Public Health Knowledge

(1) The Provision of Community Health Information by the Internet

The community health information is provided to the community health staffs by the internet. The homepage address of JPHA is <http://www.jpha.or.jp/>

(2) The Provision of Literature Information

“The Examples of the Special Business in Community Health” will be made and provided to the prefectural governments and the related organizations.

4. International Activities

- JPHA cooperates with the World Federation of Public Health Associations (WFPHA) as its member.
- JPHA delegates will attend the 42nd Annual Meeting of WFPHA, April 27-May 1, 2009, Istanbul, TURKEY
- JPHA representatives will attended the 136th Annual Conference and Expositions of the American Public Health Association (APHA) in San Diego, California October 25-29, 2008 and will attend the 137th Annual Meeting November 7-11, 2009, Philadelphia, USA.
- JPHA collects and exchanges the latest information on public health in the foreign countries

5. Publication

Monthly Bulletin “Public Health Information”

JPHA publishes the monthly bulletin, “Public Health Information,” whose editorship and dissemination are entrusted to the Life Publishing Co.

Publication of Books

JPHA publishes books related to public health, for example, “Series of Community Health,” “Outline of Public Health Administration (22nd Edition),” “Handbook of the Prevention of Communicable Diseases (3rd Edition)” and so on.

6. Coordination and Cooperation with the Relevant Organizations

The administrative affairs of the following relevant organizations are entrusted to JPHA, and the coordination and cooperation with other organizations are also conducted.

- Japanese Society of Public Health
- National Association of Health Directors of Prefectural Governments
- National Association of Directors of Public Health Centers
- National Association of Chief Public Health Nurses of Public Health Centers
- National Federation of Training Institutions of Public Health Nurses

7. Survey and Research Programs on Public Health

- Programs under the subsidy of Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare

(1) Comprehensive Programs on Community Health

JPHA established the Comprehensive Community Health Promotion Committee to promote the community health activities through the following programs.

- Comprehensive Research Program on Community Health

In order to promote the comprehensive and effective community health activities, the nationwide objective survey of the needs for community health activities, the test of their validity and the dissemination of their outcomes have been conducted since 1994 under the cooperation with such nationwide organizations as the National Association Health Directors of Prefectural Governments, the National Association of Directors of Public Health Centers and the National Association of Chief Public Health Nurses of Public Health Centers and the National Association of Prefectural and Municipal Health Research Centers.”

- Planning and Training Programs

JPHA takes the planning and the implementation of trainings for the

personnel in health, medical services and welfare services. This program contains the assistance training for the municipal health centers, the community health personnel training of the medical system reform, the trainings for public health nurses in the bloc areas, and the training for the heads of public health nurses.

□ Provision of Health Information

JPHA provides the comprehensive community health information, for example the provision of the literatures relating to the community health, and the information dissemination of the unique activities of community health.

□ International Cooperation Activities

JPHA collects and exchanges the information relating to the health policies in the foreign countries, and examines the international cooperation relating to the public health.

(2) Survey and Research on the Health and Health Promotion of the Elderly

In order to promote the harmonious implementation of the health activities for the elderly, JPHA composes the comprehensive evaluation research on the effectiveness of the “care and prevention” programs (the training programs for the elderly to prevent becoming the subjects of the care programs provided by the Care Insurance Law), the research on the future evaluation system on the life function of the elderly and the research on the revision of the “care and prevention” manual.

(3) Survey and Research on maintenance of health crisis management system

To promote a maintenance system of health crisis management, JPHA invites the foreign researchers, dispatches the Japanese researchers to the foreign countries, fosters the younger researchers (Research Residents), disseminates the results of the researches and activates the utilization of the results.

□ Programs entrusted by MHLW, Ministry of Education, Culture and Science, and Prefectures and Cities

(1) Programs on the dissemination of Public Health Activities

JPHA assists the programs of the prefectures and the municipalities relating to the preparation and improvement of health crisis management system, for example the tie-up of the areas and the collections and the provisions of the information.

- (2) Survey and Research on ethical, legal and social problems concerning the translational medical researches (entrusted the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, the 2nd phase)

JPHA established and manages “the committee of the Survey and Research on ethical, legal and social problems concerning the translational medical researches” and visits and examines the project-collaborating research centers.

- (3) Aid to the atomic bombed victims living abroad for their health promotion and medical care (entrusted by the governments of Hiroshima Prefecture, Hiroshima City and Nagasaki City)

8. Accuracy Control of the Mass Screening for Inborn Errors of Metabolism

JPHA conducts the joint research of the inborn errors of metabolism with National Center for Child Health and Development, and JPHA Accuracy Control Center sends the standardized materials to the nationwide mass-screening centers.

9. Celebrating “Talk” Project on the 125th Anniversary of JPHA

10. Management of “Ko-Shu-Eisei Building”

JPHA operates the management and maintenance of the “Ko-Shu-Eisei Building.”