

Children's Medical Subsidy Program

(“Marunyu” (㊦) and “Maruko” (㊧) “Maruao” (㊨))

Those children who hold resident registration in Ota City aged between 0 and Junior high school age are provided with subsidies to cover medical expenses (self-pay portion of medical expenses covered by the Japanese public health insurance program) and the cost of meals incurred during hospitalization. *There is no income requirement in this program.

1. Period of children's medical subsidy program

- (1) Medical certificate “Marunyu” (㊦) for infants will be provided to eligible children from age 0 until they enter elementary school (until the first March 31st after they turn 6 years of age).
- (2) Medical certificate “Maruko” (㊧) for children will be provided to eligible children from April 1 after they turn 6 years of age until completion of junior high school education (the first March 31st after they turn 15 years of age.)
- (3) Medical certificate “maruao” (㊨) for children aged between 15 years old and 18 years old, starting the first April 1 after turning 15 until the first March 31 after turning 18

2. Eligibility

- (1) The child / infant must hold resident registration in Ota City.
- (2) The child / infant must be enrolled in the Japanese public health insurance program.
*As a general rule, the applicant must be a guardian living together with the child and who is a breadwinner
Please contact us if you wish other person to be the guardian
* Please note that the children's medical subsidy program will not be available for those children (1) whose household receives public assistance, (2) who are raised by foster parents or placed in a group home and (3) who are placed in a child welfare institution upon administrative measures (except those children who visit a child welfare institution on a day-care basis and those who are placed in a child welfare institution on a contract basis).

3. Notes for application

Please submit an application in person or by mail to the Children's Medical Care Counter, Childcare Support Division of Ota City Office.

Please submit an application in person or by mail or electronic application to the Children's Medical Care Section.

* Electronic application through computers and smartphones are available.

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A proxy letter will be required for proxy applications that are filed at the Children's Medical Care Section 's counter by someone who is not a member of the applicant's (beneficiary's) household. Even a spouse of the applicant (beneficiary), he/she needs a proxy letter if he/she does not share the same household.

For those filing an application by mail, the date on which the application reached the Children's Medical Care Section will be regarded as the date of application.

Notifications related to move-in and childbirth are also accepted through Ota City branch offices.

(1) The applicant must be a guardian (parent) of the child and the main income earner of the household.

(2) Required items

- ① Application form for medical certificate for children / infants
- ② A photocopy of the child's health insurance certificate (that can be submitted later)
- ③ Identification verification material (Send a photocopy in case of submission by postal mail)

Issuance of medical certificates for children / infants

A medical certificate for children / infants can be provided on the date of filing the application if it is filed in person to the Children's Medical Care Counter together with all the required items. Please note that this service will not be available in Ota City branch offices.

For those filing an application by mail, we will send a medical certificate for children / infants by mail to their home address after a week or so. Please note that some children may not be provided with a medical certificate for children / infants depending on the type of health insurance program of which they hold membership. In this case, we will issue a notification that certifies that the child meets the eligibility requirements for the children's medical subsidy program.

4. Date of eligibility

As a general rule, the qualification starts from the first day of the month of application.

Those filing an application within 6 months following the date of childbirth or moving into Ota City will begin receiving children's medical subsidies from the date of the event. Those filing an application after 6 months following the date of the event, will begin receiving children's medical subsidies from the first day of the month in which the application is filed.

5. How to use the medical certificate for children / infants

- (1) Your child can receive medical treatment in a medical institution, etc. in Tokyo that is designated for the children's medical subsidy program, without paying the self-pay portion of the medical expenses covered by the Japanese public health insurance program by showing the child's medical certificate together with their health insurance certificate at the reception.
- (2) If your child receives medical treatment in a medical institution, etc. in Tokyo that is not designated for the program or is outside Tokyo, please show the health insurance certificate (card) and make a payment for the self-pay portion upfront. Please make sure you keep the receipt for reimbursement application.
- (3) If your child is hospitalized in a medical institution, etc. in Tokyo that is designated for the program, please make a payment for the cost of meals upfront. Please make sure you keep the receipt for reimbursement application.

* In case of above (2) and (3), reimbursement application is available as stated in the following 6.

6. Reimbursement of medical fees

(1) How to apply

Please file an application for reimbursement in person to the Children's Medical Care Counter of the Childcare Support Division.

*The application is not available in Ota City branch offices. Please also note that we will not take any responsibility for postal accident such as loss of mail.

(2) Required items

- I. Application form for children's medical subsidy program. *The application form is downloadable at Ota city's official website. If you wish to receive the application form by mail to your address, please contact the Children's Medical Care Section.
- II. Original receipt
*the following details are required: (i) name of the patient, (ii) date of medical care, (iii) number of insurance points for medical care covered by Japanese public health insurance program, (iv) self-pay portion of expenses covered by Japanese public health insurance program etc. (v) date of receiving payments
- III. Health insurance certificate and medical certificate “Marunyu” (㊦) or “Maruko” (㊧) or “Maruao” (㊨) of the child
- IV. Bank account held by the parent whose name is stated in the child's medical certificate (Please note that the bank account transfer service may not be available in some financial institutions.)

(3) Notice

- I. Expenses incurred due to healthcare services that are not covered by the Japanese public health insurance program will not be reimbursed
Examples: health checkups, vaccinations, room upgrade charges, medical treatment of injuries caused by a traffic accident, etc. for which a third party is responsible, medical services that are eligible for the benefit program of Japan Sports Promotion Center etc.
- II. The application needs to be filed within 5 years from the following day on which the medical fee is paid.
- III. Those who made a full payment of medical expenses, who made a payment of therapeutic orthosis or whose medical expenses are eligible for high-cost medical expense benefit program, are asked to apply for reimbursement from the health insurance program, etc. of which the child holds membership first. The medical expenses are not be reimbursed if it cannot be covered by the health insurance due to expiration of application period to the health insurance. For more details such as required items and period of application, please contact the Children's Medical Care Section as there might be more requirements other than those stated above (2) depending on the application.



- ◇ All the application forms are available from the Children's Medical Care Counter, Childcare Support Division
- ◇ If you wish to receive the application form by mail to your address, please contact the Children's Medical Care Section in advance.
- ◇ All the application forms are available at the Ota City office's official website at <http://www.city.ota.tokyo.jp/>.

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