

Application Process

The following information pertains to the application process for medical expense assistance for specific pediatric chronic diseases.

1. Patients must have a medical exam at a designated medical facility.
2. After diagnosis at a designated medical facility, patients will receive a medical opinion document for a pediatric chronic disease from the physician.
3. Attach the medical opinion document provided in step 2 to your application for medical expense assistance and submit it to your prefecture, designated city, or core city.*
4. Eligible patients are examined by the Specific Pediatric Chronic Disease Examination Committee.
5. The patient and family are notified by the prefecture, designated city, or core city as to whether the applied for payment has been authorized or not.

対象患者の審査	Examination for eligibility
【都道府県・指定都市・中核市】	[Prefecture, designated city, or core city]
小児慢性特定疾病審査会	Specific Pediatric Chronic Disease Examination Committee
受診	Medical examination
診断	Diagnosis
申請	Application
認定・不認定	Authorization/non-authorization
(医療意見書添付)	(Attach medical opinion document)
【患児、家族】	[Child patient, family]
【指定医療機関】	[Designated medical facility]
(医療意見書手交)	(Provide medical opinion document)

*Ask your prefecture, designated city, or core city for information about the documents (Application for Medical Care Recipient Certificate) necessary to apply.

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