

Guide to The Japan Obstetric Compensation System for Cerebral Palsy

What is The Japan Obstetric Compensation System for Cerebral Palsy?

In addition to promptly compensating for the economic burden affecting families with children who developed severe cerebral palsy, this system seeks to avoid conflict and reach an early resolution, and strives to improve the quality of obstetric care by analyzing the cause and providing contributory knowledge to prevent the recurrence of similar cases.

Persons Eligible for Compensation

Children born after January 1, 2015 under the management of birth facilities participating in this system, and those who meet all the following three criteria, are eligible for compensation.

1. Gestational week at **32nd week** or later and birth weight of **1,400g** or more, or **28th week or later fulfilling specified requirements.**
2. Cerebral palsy which is **not caused by congenital or neonatal reasons.**
3. Disability **nearly equivalent to 1st or 2nd degree** in physical disability certificate.

* This system does not cover children who died before the age of 6 months.

- ⊙ Children with severe motor impairment whose main cause cannot be clearly attributed to congenital or neonatal reasons are eligible for compensation.
- ⊙ Approval of compensation is carried out based on the assigned physician's certificate and eligibility criteria of this system.
The certification criteria are not necessarily identical to those of the national physical disability certificate.

Compensation Details

Once certified for compensation, a lump-sum payment for preparation and installment payment totaled of 30 million yen.

To provide the foundation expenses for nursing care

Lump-sum payment for preparation:
6 million yen



To provide nursing care expenses

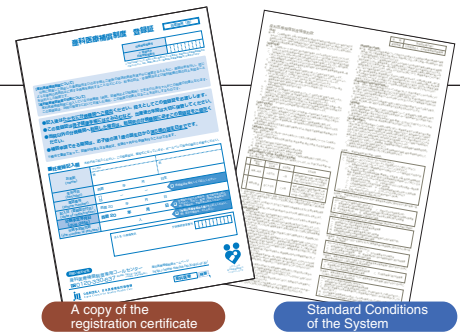
Installment compensation payment:
total **24 million yen**
(1.2 million yen, 20 time-installments)

Application Period for Compensation

Applications for compensation are accepted from the child's first birthday **until his/her fifth birthday.** However, in cases where physical disability may be severe enough for diagnosis earlier than the first birthday, application for compensation may be allowed from 6 months after the birth.

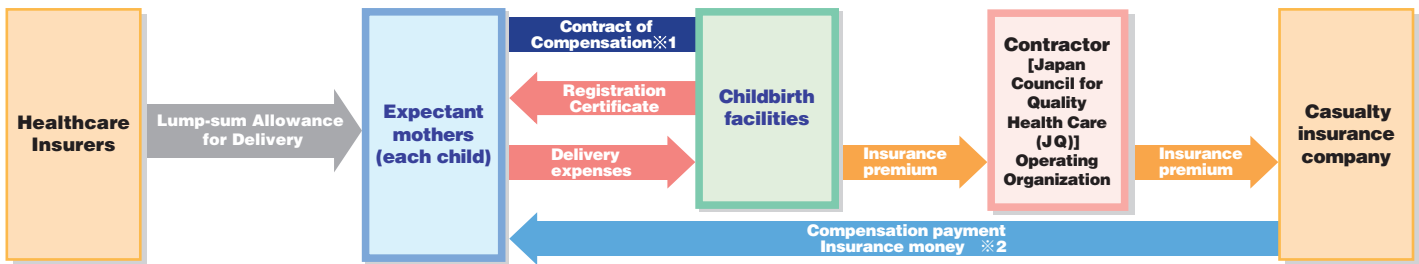
Reminders for Expectant Mothers

- The childbirth facility issues a “Registration Certificate” to all expectant mothers under the management of the facility identifying as eligible for this compensation system. Please fill in the certificate (the Standard Conditions of the System is printed on the back).
- Please keep a copy of the registration certificate with your maternal and child health handbook for 5 years after birth.



Monetary flow for compensation

Compensation

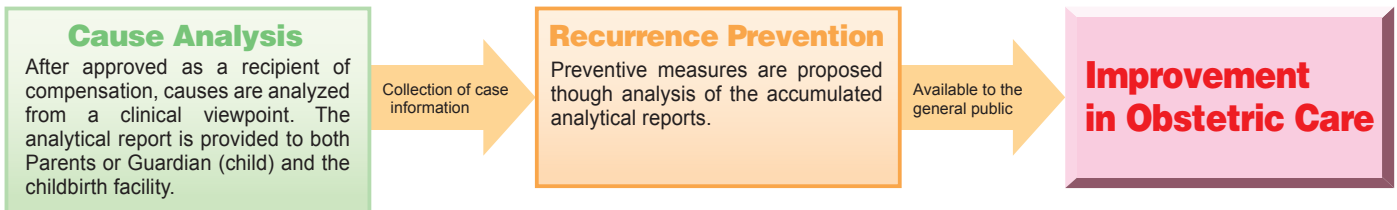


※1 The compensation is contracted under the Standard Conditions of the System regulated by the operating organization.

※2 Once approved as a recipient of compensation by the operating organization, the operating organization applies to the insurance company for compensation payment as a deputy of the affiliated childbirth facility. Then, the insurance company provides compensation payment.

- It is the childbirth facility that in this system, so insurance premium for compensation is paid by the childbirth facility.
- For children born at an affiliated childbirth facility (deliveries after the 22 gestational weeks), an equivalent amount of insurance premium is added to the insurer's lump-sum payment for delivery expenses.

Cause Analysis and Recurrence Prevention



Notes

- Eligibility criteria for children born on Jan. 1, 2015 or later has been altered from the one on Dec. 31, 2014 or earlier.
- If you accept payment for damages due to malpractice from the childbirth facility, double payment of compensation (i.e. compensation payment and liability payment) is not allowed.

Please contact the childbirth facility where delivery occurred or the contact address below for details regarding compensation standards and specific procedures.

For inquiries regarding the “The Japan Obstetric Compensation System for Cerebral Palsy”
Japan Obstetric Compensation System for Cerebral Palsy Special Call Center

0120-330-637 Hours : 9:00a.m. - 5:00p.m. (closed Saturday and Sunday)

Website of The Japan Obstetric Compensation System for Cerebral Palsy

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