

Child Medical Fee Subsidy System

People Eligible for the Subsidy

Guardians of children who reside in Kanazawa and are enrolled in a health insurance plan.

※Those receiving assistance from the Welfare Assistance Program are ineligible.

When you give birth or move to Kanazawa with children, you will receive the Child Medical Care Certificate if you submit the Application to Qualify for Child Medical Fee Subsidies.

● If you are receiving the Single Parent Household Medical Fee Subsidy

Until September 2023, you were able to use the “Child Medical Care Certificate” until the end of your child's third year of middle school. From October 2023 onwards, please use the “Certificate of Qualification for the Single Parent Household Medical Fee Subsidy”.

Subsidy Details

	Until September 2023	After October 2023	
Qualifying Items	Hospitalization and routine hospital visit fees	Hospitalization fees	Routine hospital visit fees
Eligible Ages	3rd year of middle school or younger	Until age 18	3rd year of middle school or younger
Income Limit	None	None	

※ From October 2023, the eligibility for subsidies for inpatient hospitalization medical expenses has been extended to 18 years of age (until the first March 31 after reaching 18 years of age).

Subsidy Coverage

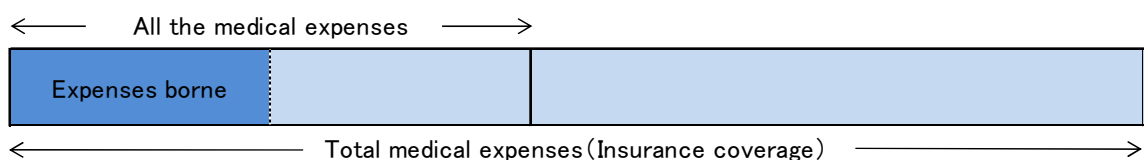
Hospitalization Subsidy Amount: The full amount of the individual's share of medical expenses (excluding those not covered by insurance)

Hospital Visit and Prescription Subsidy Amount: Calculated by subtracting ¥1,000 from the total medical expenses borne that month (excluding uninsured medical treatment, 16~18-year-olds are not eligible).

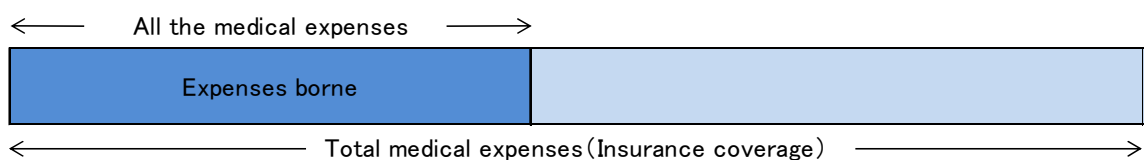
※ The subsidy amount is calculated based on the sum of insured medical treatment,

meaning there are instances when the amount on the receipt differs by a few yen. We thank you for your understanding.

① **Benefits in kind:** Method in which out of the medical expenses to be borne by the recipient, an amount specified on the Medical Care Certificate is paid at the reception desk



② **Reimbursement:** Method in which the recipient receives a subsidy from the city after temporarily paying all the medical expenses



〈Items ineligible for the subsidy〉

- Items not covered by health insurance (First-time patient fee*, out-of-pocket medical expenses, paperwork fees, the cost of hospital beds and hospital meals, health checkups, immunization fees, etc.)
- High-cost medical fees, or fringe benefits, etc. paid for by the insurance provider
- Injuries resulting from the behavior of a third party, such as traffic accidents

*Fees for an initial consultation at a hospital with 200 or more beds without a referral letter from another hospital or clinic.

Subsidization Methods

① Benefits in Kind

At the reception desk of the medical facility, pay the medical fees required, and present your Child Medical Care Certificate. **(If you do not present the Medical Care Certificate, you are not eligible for benefits in kind.)**

Expenses borne

Hospitalization: ¥1,000 per month per medical facility

→ **Free from October 2023**

Hospital visits: ¥500 per day (or the total amount when the sum is under ¥500) per medical facility

Dispensing fee: Free (at health insurance pharmacies)

- ※ Medical facilities are defined as hospitals, clinics, pharmacies, and osteopathic, orthopedic and acupuncture and moxibustion clinics. University medical departments and dentists are not considered medical facilities.
- ※ **Hospital visits and dispensing of medicine are not covered for children in the fiscal year in which they turn 16-18 years old (medical expenses must be paid by those receiving care).**

〈Items that are not eligible for benefits in kind〉 ※ An application is required for ② reimbursement

- Visiting a medical facility where the Medical Care Certificate cannot be used
- Visiting a medical facility without presenting the Medical Care Certificate
- Visiting a medical facility outside of Ishikawa Prefecture
(There are occasions when even medical facilities within Ishikawa Prefecture are not eligible for benefits in kind, so please confirm with the medical facility before visiting.)
- When paying for a prosthetic device or eyewear
- When using a home nursing station

For **children up to the third year of junior high school**, 1,000 yen will be deducted from the total of one month's over-the-counter payment. However, the amount may not be transferred to the designated bank account until approximately three months later.

(There is no need to apply for the subsidy.)

【Ex. 1】 Visiting Hospital A, Hospital B (medical fees under ¥500), and Pharmacy C in one month

	Expenses	Subsidy amount
Hospital A in Kanazawa	¥500	} (500+300+0)-1,000 → <u>¥0</u>
Hospital B in Kanazawa	¥300	
Pharmacy C in Kanazawa	¥0	

【Ex. 2】 Visiting the same hospital on three days in one month

	Expenses	Subsidy amount
Hospital D in Kanazawa	¥500	} (500+500+500)-1,000 = <u>¥500</u>
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【Ex. 3】 Visiting multiple departments of General Hospital E on the same day

→ Expenses up to a total of ¥500 (※ Dentistry is not included)

	Expenses	Subsidy amount
Hospital E in Kanazawa (internal medicine)	¥500	} (500+0+500)-1,000 = <u>¥0</u>
Hospital E in Kanazawa (ophthalmology)	¥0	
Hospital E in Kanazawa (dentistry)	¥500	

※ There are occasions when hospitalizations are not eligible for benefits in kind if the Certificate of Eligibility for Ceiling-Amount Application is not presented. For details about the Certificate of Eligibility for Ceiling-Amount Application, please consult with your insurance provider.

② Reimbursement

If you are not eligible for benefits in kind, please pay the medical fees at the reception desk of the medical facility, and **submit a request for the subsidy** to Kanazawa City.

(Please group the entire month's portion together and apply starting from the month following the medical treatment.)

For items considered high-cost medical fees, a High-Cost Medical Fee Subsidy Certificate, or something that states the amount of high-cost medical fees is required.

For inquiries regarding the procedures for high-cost medical fees, please consult with your insurance provider.

The subsidy will be transferred into the bank account you specified at the end of the month after your application.

〈About the Procedure for Requesting Subsidies〉

● Necessary Items

- ① Child Medical Care Certificate
- ② Your child's Health Insurance Certificate
- ③ Receipts (originals)

The patient's full name, National Health Insurance points, date of medical treatment, price, and name of the medical facility must be written on the receipt.

- ④ Personal seal (In the case of a proxy application)
- ⑤ High-Cost Medical Fee Subsidy Certificate, or something that states the amount of high-cost medical fees (for items considered high-cost medical fees)

● **Application Counter**

- Health and Welfare Counter on the 1st floor of City Hall
- City Hall Branch Offices (Morimoto, Kanaiwa, Saigawa, Yasuhara, Nuka, Oshino, Asakawa, Izumino, Motomachi, Shinkanda, Ekinishi, Minato, Honmachi, Omi-cho)
- Health and Welfare Centers (Izumino, Motomachi, Ekinishi)

● **Application Period**

- Please apply after one month and within 2 years of the medical treatment.

(Treatment for October 2021 → Please request the subsidy by the end of October 2023.)

〈Application by Mail〉

Complete the application form, stamp it, and send it with the original receipts to the Kanazawa City Health Policy Section.

The application form can be downloaded from Kanazawa City's homepage (iine Kanazawa).

Kanazawa Child Medical Fee Application Form



● **Please Submit a Notice on These Occasions**

Occasion	Necessary Documents
Change of insurance	Medical Care Certificate, your child's new Insurance Certificate
Change of child or guardian's address or name	Medical Care Certificate

Change of wire transfer bank account	Medical Care Certificate, something that states the guardian's bank account, personal seal
Loss or damage of Medical Care Certificate	Medical Care Certificate (not necessary if the Certificate is lost), your child's Insurance Certificate

※ Please submit a notice on change of bank account holder's name.

These procedures can be completed at the Health and Welfare Counter on the 1st floor of City Hall, City Hall Branch Offices, or Health and Welfare Centers.

● Returning the Medical Care Certificate

If you move outside the city, lose your Qualification for Medical Fee Subsidies, or become eligible to receive assistance from the Public Assistance Act, you cannot use the Medical Care Certificate. Please return it to the Kanazawa City Health Policy Section immediately.

● Late Night Healthcare

Kanazawa City Wide-area Emergency Medical Center (Pediatrics, Internal Medicine)

【Address】 Ekinishi Fukushi Kenko Center 1F, 3-4-25 Sainen, Kanazawa City

【Hours of Care】 Daily 19:30-23:00

【Medical Institution Information】 TEL 076-222-009 FAX 076-222-5566

Available Daily 19:30-09:00 (Responses after 23:00 are automated).

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