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What Changes with the Times and What Doesn't Looking Back FY2021



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The year 2021, if we think of it in terms of Japanese era names, or gengo, would be Meiji 154, Taisho 110, Showa 96, Heisei 33 and Reiwa 3.

Gengo are not unique to Japan, and have been used since ancient times in China, Korea and even Vietnam, but it seems that only Japan continues to use the system today.

However, in countries with royal families, it is common for dynasties to be known by the name of the reigning royal house. For example, the late Queen Elizabeth II of the United Kingdom, the longest reigning monarch in British history who died in 2022 at the age of 96, was the fourth monarch of the House of Windsor dynasty and the country's sixth female sovereign. Her son Charles III has become the fifth monarch of the Windsor line.

Our founders Ryoichi Sasakawa and Morizo Ishidate were born in 1899 (Meiji 32) and 1901 (Meiji 34), respectively. In both cases, their childhoods were spent in the late Meiji era, and they came of age in the Taisho to early Showa eras. I feel that their core beliefs must have been influenced by philosophies unique to Japan from ancient times that were alive in the Meiji and Taisho era, as well as by the new ideology of "Taisho democracy", translated at the time as *minponshugi* (liberalism).

People's way of life and way of thinking change with the times, but the ideals established by our predecessors, which have withstood the waves of the times, must be upheld by those of us alive today, and passed on to future generations. Today, the Foundation's vision of "Better Health & Dignity for All" is a modern recasting of our founders' ideals.

The world is filled with illness, social suffering, injustice and inequality. The COVID-19 pandemic that originated in China at the end of 2019 continued into 2021. Viruses—pathogenic microorganisms—attack people all over the world, regardless of age or gender.

And yet, access to information, preventive measures, testing and treatment is influenced by disparities. Such disparities do not occur because of a pandemic. The cause has long existed in people's hearts in the form of stigma and discrimination.

Since its founding in 1974, Sasakawa Health Foundation has pursued the founders' philosophy. In FY2021, as part of our international activities, we have been carrying out bold awareness-raising activities focusing on measures to assist persons affected by leprosy, who are a direct target of stigma and discrimination.

At home, we have continued to strengthen the activities of nurses, who can support the sick, the disabled and the elderly in need of help.

As a foundation, we continue to work together as one, and we ask for your ongoing support.

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Chair's blog *Eyes of a cat*

Columns, essays, activity logs and presentations from the point of view of a physician, issued periodically.



https://www.shf.or.jp/blog_chair

Vision

Better Health & Dignity for All

Striving to enrich the physical, mental, social and spiritual well-being of people—whenever they are, wherever they are and whatever their circumstances—and helping them to maintain their dignity as human beings.

To realize a world without problems related to leprosy, where no one who has experienced the disease need suffer.

Enhance nursing care so that everyone can enjoy a healthy, high quality of life in the community.

Tackle Disease

Develop effective advocacy activities in collaboration with the WHO Goodwill Ambassador for Leprosy Elimination.

Clarify priorities for each priority country and support leprosy control activities in collaboration with the WHO and others.



School-based leprosy screening for early detection of new cases (Kiribati)

Eliminate Discrimination

Strengthen stakeholder organizations and promote participation in relevant policymaking and program implementation processes.

Ascertain the actual situation of discrimination faced by persons affected by leprosy and build a sustainable mechanism to work toward its elimination.

Carry out effective publicity, information distribution and awareness-raising to increase interest in and understanding of leprosy issues.



Empowering women affected by leprosy through non-formal education (Nepal)

Strengthen Nursing in Local Communities

Develop human resources that can contribute to the promotion of home-care/home-visit nursing and community health.

Create a base for home-care/home-visit nursing that will be at the center of a community-based comprehensive care system.

Build and maintain a network of home-care/home-visit nursing care professionals.

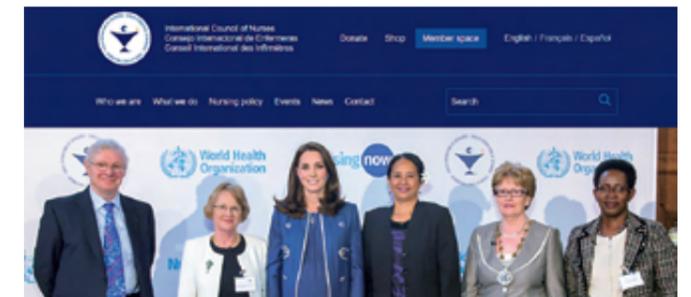


Practicing home-visit nursing by utilizing youth and information and communication technology (Kanagawa Prefecture)

Use Nursing Effectively and Visualize Its Potential

Promote research based on nursing practice for policy proposals.

Communicate the role and potential of Japanese nurses at home and abroad.



Nursing Now campaign (Image from International Council of Nurses website)

Change Residents' Attitudes toward Health

Support community-based awareness-raising activities.

Hold courses to deepen understanding of healthcare and health, and host study sessions to strengthen multidisciplinary collaboration and networking.



Opening of sixth small group home offering multifunctional long-term care (Saga Prefecture)



Event aimed at raising health awareness (Tokyo)

Sharing a "smiley moment" with a child receiving medical care (Wakayama Prefecture)

Preserve History

Support initiatives that serve as a model for preserving leprosy history in each region, and work to develop human resources and networks.



Leprosy museum at the former Rovisco Pais sanatorium (Portugal)

National Hansen's Disease Museum

FY2021 Activity Report on Museum Operations and Awareness-raising Activities (Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare-Commissioned Project)

The Foundation is responsible for the operation of the National Hansen's Disease Museum in order to convey the facts and provide a proper understanding of the Hansen's disease issue in Japan.

Since 2020, the COVID-19 pandemic has hit museums and galleries around the world hard, and operating the museum has been challenging for all of the staff. However, as we struggled through days when the museum was completely closed, the innovations we came up with using the internet proved very rewarding.

FY2021 began with restricted opening hours and limits on visitor numbers. This was followed by temporary closures and limited hours until mid-November, when the museum was able to operate almost normally again, with some restrictions. But within two months, limited opening times returned.

Due to the fact that access to the museum was restricted for much of the year, the average number of daily visitors in FY2021 was about one-eighth of the all-time high recorded in FY2019. But restrictions or not, spreading correct knowledge of the Hansen's disease issue is a must. Thus, we have also focused on enhancing our online programs for those who are unable to visit in person.

In addition to the permanent exhibitions, four special exhibitions and gallery exhibitions looked at the Hansen's disease issue from the perspectives of children, litigation against the government, families, and disability. These were: "Green Shoots" Print Exhibition: Scenes of Everyday Carved by Junior High School Students at Tama Zenshoen; Today, Blue Sky Is Spreading Above Us: Exhibition Marking 20th Anniversary of Compensation Lawsuit Ruling on Unconstitutionality of Leprosy Prevention Law; Sailing Ship "Toyomaru" Exhibition; and Lifestyle Design: Self-help Equipment, Prosthetic Limbs, and Prosthetics and Their Users

in Hansen's Disease Sanatoriums.

Online, we prepared a number of programs such as museum talks on the Hansen's disease issue from various perspectives, seminars and lectures on Hansen's disease and human rights, and exhibition commentaries for elementary schoolchildren on the history of National Sanatorium Tama Zenshoen and the Hansen's disease issue, in addition to exhibition commentaries for groups and on-site lectures.

The shift online was well received as it enabled people who could not visit the museum for whatever reason to participate in its programs.

As well as focusing on exhibitions and lectures, in FY2021 the museum was busy behind the scenes to organize its collections and improve the storage environment supporting its programs.

We will continue to make every effort to eliminate stigma and discrimination and restore the dignity of persons affected by Hansen's disease and their families by spreading correct knowledge about the Hansen's disease issue. Please give us your continued support.

Location 4-1-13, Aoba-cho, Higashimurayama-shi, Tokyo, Japan
Opening hours 9:30 am to 4:30 pm (admission is until 4:00 pm)
Admission fee Free
Closed Mondays and the day after "National Holidays".
 However, it is open if Monday is a national holiday. Year-end and New Year holidays. Day to organize the hall.



The National Hansen's Disease Museum Official YouTube Channel
<https://www.youtube.com/c/hansenmuseum>



The museum exhibited 107 woodcut prints by children that were included in the graduation essay collection "Green Shoots" of the Higashimurayama Junior High School branch classroom that opened in Tama Zenshoen in 1953.

Nurturing 100 Nursing Leaders Who Will Change Society

Sasakawa Nursing Fellow Program and Scholarship

Newly launched in FY2021, the Sasakawa Nursing Fellow Program and Scholarship aims to foster nurses with a global perspective and leadership skills who will support the field of health in the future.

Scholarships worth up to US\$112,000 per year will be provided to nurses who are selected as Sasakawa nursing fellows enrolling in master's or doctoral programs in the fields of public health, epidemiology, health policy and economics, demographics, life sciences/medicine and nursing in the United States and Canada.

The purpose of this project is to nurture nursing leaders with a scientific and global mindset who can lead future society. Through support for study abroad, we are providing students with the opportunity to experience the dynamism of the world and learn from colleagues from diverse backgrounds. We plan to train 100 nursing leaders over 10 years.

What makes this program unique is that it goes beyond just offering scholarships and is designed to build a network of fellows. Those selected and certified as "fellows" are obliged to participate in activities such as attending lectures in various fields, reading articles and submitting reports.

Through these activities, which they participate in even before they start studying abroad, the fellows will deepen their relationship with each other who share the same goals. Further, once they complete their studies overseas, they are expected to continue to collaborate with each other and with the Foundation, and contribute to solving social problems by gathering knowledge in their respective areas of expertise.

In FY2021, the inaugural year of the program, the first batch

of 14 Sasakawa Nursing Fellows was certified. Through their activities, each of them is working toward their dreams while broadening their perspectives, and two have already been admitted to the graduate courses in the United States from the 2022 academic year.

Nurses, as healthcare professionals and caregivers, should not be limited to the role of assisting in medical treatment. If nurses, who account for over half the world's health workers, can take a broad view of the physical and social health of their communities, they will be able to make a significant contribution to correcting the distortions of modern society.



Ms. Takeuchi, one of two Sasakawa Nursing Fellows studying abroad from 2022



(From left to right) The Nippon Foundation Chairman Yohei Sasakawa, Sasakawa Health Foundation Chair Dr. Etsuko Kita and Japan Nursing Association President Dr. Toshiko Fukui attended the press conference announcing the establishment of the Sasakawa Nursing Fellow Program and Scholarship.

Working for a World Free from Hansen’s Disease: Staying Focused amid the Coronavirus Pandemic

Leprosy or Hansen’s disease is a chronic infection caused by *Mycobacterium leprae*. For much of its long history, leprosy was a disease without cure, but today an effective treatment exists in the form of multidrug therapy (MDT). Early detection and treatment with MDT can prevent disability. Around 200,000 new cases continue to be diagnosed each year and the number has not declined significantly in the past decade (other than in 2020, when case detection activities were disrupted by the coronavirus pandemic). In addition, stigma and discrimination toward persons affected by leprosy and their families persist.

Aiming to realize a world without Hansen’s disease, that is, a world in which no one has to suffer because of leprosy, the Foundation conducts activities based on the three pillars of: (1) Tackle disease; (2) Eliminate discrimination; and (3) Preserve

history.

In FY2021, the second year since the start of the novel coronavirus pandemic, we launched a “Don’t Forget Leprosy” campaign while continuing our activities in the above-mentioned three areas. The campaign focused on providing support to leprosy communities in need of emergency assistance due to the pandemic and also featured online awareness-raising activities (such as holding webinars and other events) to ensure that leprosy and the needs of those affected by the disease were not overlooked amid the pandemic.

FY2021 Highlights

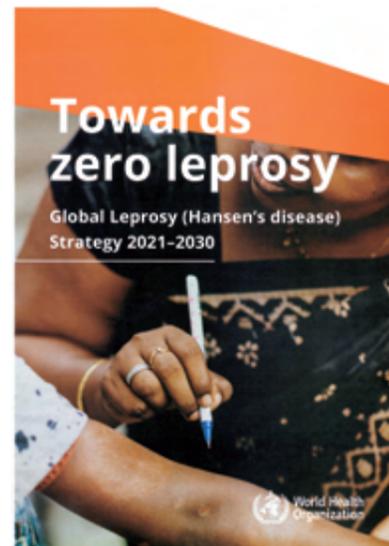
Support for Measures against Hansen’s Disease in 16 Countries

In April 2021, the WHO’s Global Leprosy Programme (GLP) published *Towards zero leprosy: Global Leprosy (Hansen’s disease) Strategy 2021-2030*. It also collected and analyzed data on leprosy in each country and surveyed the impact of the novel coronavirus outbreak on leprosy control activities, issuing guidelines on early diagnosis and community awareness activities amid the pandemic. As well as supporting these activities by the GLP, the Foundation supported technical assistance through the WHO’s six regional offices (Africa, the Eastern Mediterranean, South-East Asia, the Western Pacific, the Americas, and Europe) and leprosy control activities by the health ministries of 16 countries.

In addition, 2021 was a milestone year, marking the 30th anniversary of the World Health Assembly (WHA) resolution to eliminate leprosy as a public health problem. On the occasion of the 75th WHA in May, the Foundation issued a press release from the WHO Goodwill Ambassador for Leprosy Elimination, calling on each country to continue to focus on measures against the disease. The press release was published in 45 newspapers in 27 countries.

Emergency COVID Assistance to Hansen’s Disease Communities

The outbreak of the novel coronavirus led to an explosion in infections and deaths around the world, creating havoc in people’s lives. The impact on persons affected by leprosy, many of whom are living in poverty, was particularly severe and prompt assistance was needed. Therefore, as in FY2020, the Foundation implemented a “COVID-19 Emergency Relief Project” targeting 13 organizations of persons affected by leprosy in 10 countries. The project was built around three pillars: responding directly to needs, advocating to the government, and actively disseminating information. In this project, persons affected were not merely recipients of support, but actively engaged in problem solving.



The latest global strategy from the WHO’s Global Leprosy Programme



Raising awareness of COVID-19, while at the same time counseling those living in isolation (MORHAN Brazil)



Promoting self-care for disability prevention (IDEA Niger)

Fact-finding Survey on Discrimination against Persons Affected by Leprosy

In response to reports the Foundation received from different countries about the severe situation facing persons affected by leprosy, we provided support to 14 organizations in 10 countries, mainly for three surveys on: 1) the impact of the coronavirus pandemic on persons affected by leprosy; 2) the reality of discrimination; and 3) the socio-economic situation. The survey results will be compiled in autumn 2022.

Youth Forum Regional Conferences

In order to solve leprosy issues, the participation of young people is essential. Therefore, with the aim of identifying those who will lead the next generation and forming them into a network, we held Youth Forum regional conferences online in three regions—South America, Asia, and Africa—from December 2021 to January 2022 on the theme “The Role Young People Should Play in Solving Leprosy Issues.” A total of 174 people from 15 countries participated, and lively discussions were held on the issues faced by young people in the communities concerned and on ways to encourage them to play an active role.

Support for Preservation of Musical Heritage in Nigeria

Ikoli Harcourt Whyte was born in Nigeria and diagnosed with leprosy at the age of 14, in the days before chemotherapy was available. While living in the Uzuakoli leprosy hospital, he took up music and went on to compose more than 200 hymns in his lifetime. His beautiful compositions have attracted the attention of musicians not only in Nigeria but also abroad in recent years. His protege, Mr. Achinivu Kanu Achinivu, formed the Achinivu-Harcourt Whyte Choral Association to keep his music alive, and began an effort to convey the excellence of the compositions to people around the world, translating lyrics written in the local language into English and transcribing the melodies into staff notation. The Foundation is supporting the preservation of this musical legacy.



Young members of HANDA play an important role supporting persons affected by leprosy (HANDA, China)



A group of translators works to come up with the most appropriate English lyrics for Harcourt Whyte’s hymns (A-HWCA Nigeria)

“Nurses Change Society”

Expanding the Role and Pursuing the Possibilities of Nursing

Of the 108 individuals who completed The Nippon Foundation Home-care Nursing Center entrepreneurship training program implemented in fiscal years 2014-2020, 97 operate 116 centers in 27 prefectures across Japan (as of the end of March 2022). In FY2021, amid the coronavirus pandemic, these nursing entrepreneurs further expanded their activities by implementing emergency measures against COVID-19, tackling social problems in each region, and reporting on their successes and challenges at academic conferences.

In addition, they promoted activities of “nurses change society” collaborating not only with nurses in The Nippon Foundation Home-care Nursing network but also with fellow professionals and researchers in the vicinity. These activities included organizing events to familiarize people with home-care/home-visit nursing and conducting unique research to improve community health capabilities.

FY2021 Highlights

Social Contribution by Nurses (1) Creation and Distribution of a Simple Manual for Dealing with Home-care Patients with COVID-19



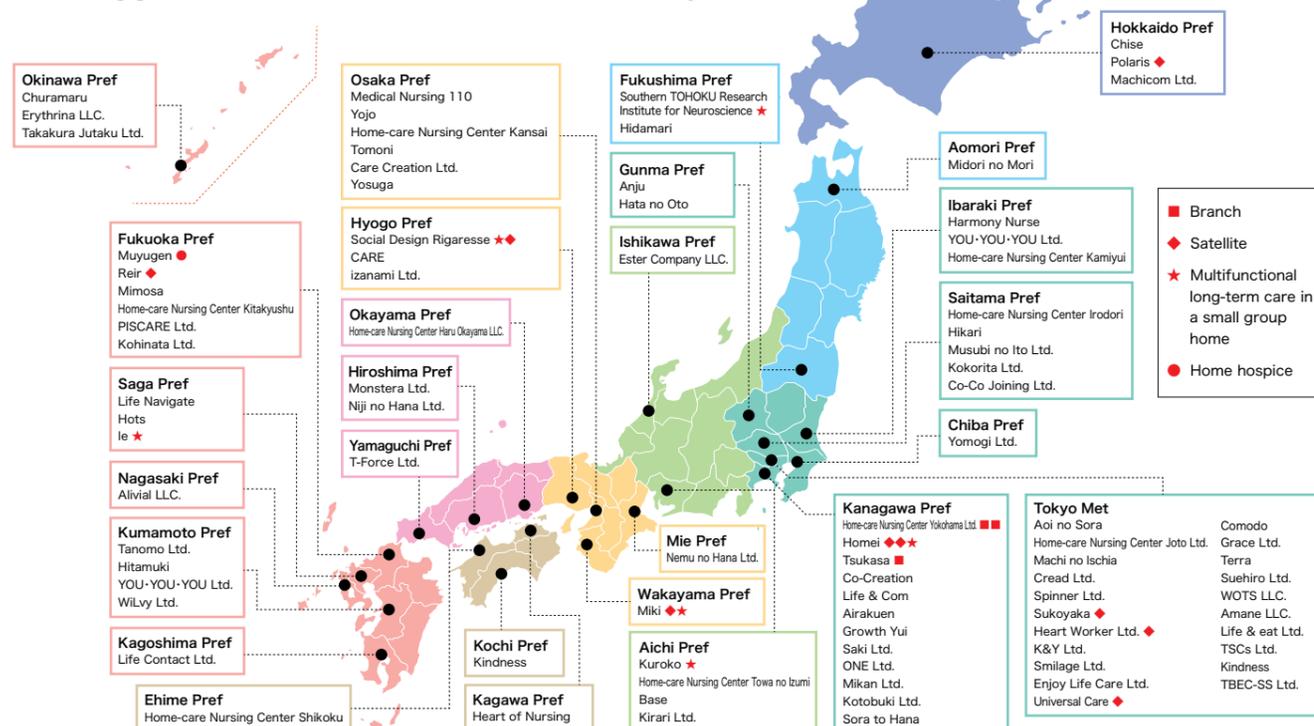
With support from The Nippon Foundation’s Novel Coronavirus Research Fund and from boat racers, a simple manual on COVID-19 countermeasures was prepared and distributed to approximately 13,000 home-care/home-visit nursing centers nationwide and to around 320 care



Home-care nursing center staff wearing personal protective equipment

facilities connected with 40 operational centers in The Nippon Foundation Home-care Nursing network. When distributing the manual to care facilities, members of the network also brought sample protective gear and provided practical guidance. The care facilities appreciated the opportunity to consult with nurses on medical issues, which has helped to enhance nurses’ role as community counselors.

The Nippon Foundation Home-care Nursing Network



The network consists of 116 home-care nursing centers in 27 prefectures nationwide (as of March 2022)

Social Contribution by Nurses (2) Activities that Align with Local Communities

Research has shown that social isolation affects healthy life expectancy more than smoking, high blood pressure and obesity. In recent years, attention has focused on “social prescribing,” or prescribing social connections instead of drugs to improve health in daily life and provide reasons for living and opportunities for social participation. Members of The Nippon Foundation Home-care Network engage in such activities.

Muyugen, an NPO active in Tagawa City, Fukuoka Prefecture, held a cookery class for men aged 65+ under the online supervision of chef Keisuke Matsushima, who lives in Nice, France, in response to the fact that social isolation is more common among men than women.



Cooking class for male local residents

Care Cycle Station: Home-visit Nursing Rainbow in Nanjo City, Okinawa Prefecture operates a cafeteria that encourages children from low-income families to become self-reliant. It held a cookout event with the children to prepare nutritious lunch boxes together for elderly citizens living alone, and families in need of welfare check in the community.



Children prepare a meal together at a cookout

Support for Community-based Awareness-raising and Practical Research Activities

Of the approximately 1.5 million nurses active in Japan, less than 5% are engaged in home-care/home-visit nursing. The Foundation supports community-based awareness-raising activities to help local people understand and utilize home-visit nursing.

One example is community health activities where nurses not only hold health consultations for community residents but also hold events to raise health awareness. Through these events, they try to help people gain an understanding of home-visit nursing and of the role of nurses, showing how they can look after people not just physically but also mentally and socially.



A moxibustion class for elderly residents living in the community

The Foundation also calls for research projects with practical applications. The number of projects undertaken by nurses which grasp the issues facing Japan’s aging society has increased, including research aimed at establishing a dietary support system for elderly people living alone in rural areas, and research into factors relevant to medical and care policies for the elderly. Papers based on this research have been published in international journals such as *Neuro-Oncology Practice* and *the Journal of Hospice and Palliative Nursing*.



Articles on topics funded by our research grants have been published in various journals

Sponsored Symposium at the 3rd Annual Meeting of the Japanese Association of Home Care Medicine

The Foundation and The Nippon Foundation Home-care Nursing Network hold a sponsored symposium each year at the Japanese Association of Home Care Medicine annual meeting.

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, the event was held online in FY2021. Under the theme, “Questioning Business Operations to Guarantee the Quality of Home-care/Home-visit Nursing,” Dr. Kesami Sano, a designated researcher, presented the results of an evaluation and analysis of business operations using operational quality and service quality assessment forms, followed by case studies presented by four members of the network.

Afterward, a lively discussion was held on the operation of the home-visit nursing stations, moderated by Co-Chair Yumi Hirahara.



Discussions during the online symposium at the Japan Association for Home Care Medicine

Selected Activities from FY2021

“Don’t Forget Leprosy” Campaign

Life for persons affected by leprosy living in vulnerable circumstances became much more difficult as a result of the prolonged coronavirus pandemic. Furthermore, in many countries, leprosy control measures slipped down the list of priorities and case detection activities were disrupted. According to the WHO, the number of new cases reported in 2020 was down by 37% from the previous year.

Given the circumstances, the Sasakawa Leprosy (Hansen’s Disease) Initiative—a strategic alliance between the Sasakawa Health Foundation, The Nippon Foundation and the WHO Goodwill Ambassador for Leprosy Elimination—used the opportunity of the 20th anniversary of the Goodwill Ambassador’s appointment to launch a “Don’t Forget Leprosy” campaign. Beginning in August 2021, the campaign sent a message to the world not to lose sight of leprosy, even amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

The campaign included a webinar series, awareness videos, campaigns and messaging via TV, radio and social media, and the annual Global Appeal to eliminate stigma and discrimination against persons affected by leprosy.

(Webinars)

Six webinars were held on various themes including human rights, medical care and awareness-raising, with persons affected by leprosy joining participants from governments, international organizations, NGOs, research institutes and elsewhere in discussing the importance of maintaining leprosy services amid the coronavirus pandemic. The WHO Goodwill Ambassador took part in each seminar, exchanging views on eliminating leprosy and the discrimination that persons affected by the disease face.

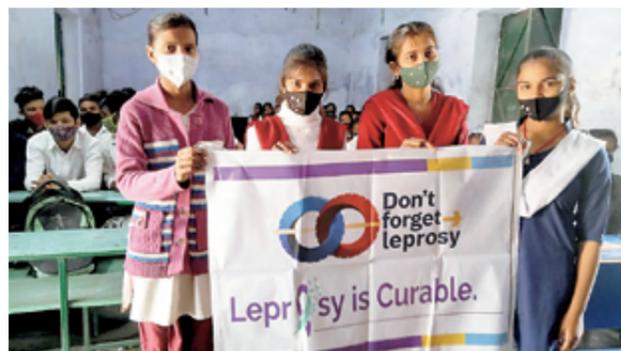
(Awareness-raising)

To coincide with World Leprosy Day on the last Sunday in January, we conducted a variety of awareness-raising activities in collaboration with 32 NGOs, organizations of persons affected by leprosy, research institutes and government agencies in 13 countries. These included issuing joint press releases, conducting media activities (newspaper, TV, social media), outreach to government and holding events at schools and medical institutions.

(Global Appeal 2022)

Endorsed by 37 philanthropic foundations around the world, Global Appeal 2022 called for an end to stigma and discrimination against persons affected by leprosy. A dedicated Global Appeal website has details of all the annual appeals issued so far, going back to 2006 when the first appeal was launched.

Special website (<https://gasasakawa.org/>)



Awareness raising at a school by ATMA Swabhiman, an organization of persons affected by leprosy

Learning about the Novel Coronavirus Online Public Lecture



Flyer for our first public lecture of FY2021

The Foundation hosted an online seminar titled, “What Nurses Need to Understand about the Novel Coronavirus,” and invited Dr. Satoshi Kutsuna (Department of Infection Control, Graduate School of Medicine, Osaka University) to deliver a lecture.

Concerning the novel coronavirus, which is mutating on a daily basis, Dr. Kutsuna explained in a reassuring and easy-to-understand manner about the course of infection, treatment, vaccination and adverse reactions, sequelae, therapeutic drugs and future prospects.

In addition, Ms. Aki Irisawa, a graduate of The Nippon Foundation Home-care Nursing Center entrepreneurship training program and director of the Aoi-no-sora Home-care Nursing Center in Toshima Ward, Tokyo, shared the experience of multiple staff members from her center testing positive for COVID-19 at the same time.

There was plenty of feedback from participants, including comments such as: “I will now be able to give correct information to users and take proper infection control measures,” “I appreciate the advice on how to give guidance, which has been my big concern for some time,” and “It has given me confidence when explaining the need for infection control to patients and others.”

A total of 1,800 people participated, most of them nurses but also doctors, caregivers and others from all 47 of Japan’s prefectures as well as from overseas, including the United Kingdom, Laos and Zambia.

WHO Sasakawa Health Prize Online Award Ceremony

The WHO Sasakawa Health Prize, awarded every year since 1985, honors individuals and NGOs around the world that have made an outstanding contribution to health promotion programs and primary health care, with the aim of encouraging the further development of such work. It is presented during the World Health Assembly held in Geneva, Switzerland.

In 2021, the award ceremony for the 37th edition of the prize was held online because of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

The two recipients of the award were Dr. Amal Saif Al-Maani of Oman, who established a system for antimicrobial resistance surveillance at the national level and helped to facilitate epidemiological investigations into new infectious diseases, and Dr. Wu Hao of China, for helping to improve the health of people living in remote areas by training family physicians and developing an intelligent family physician-optimized collaborative model.

In a video message, The Nippon Foundation Chairman Yohei Sasakawa thanked the recipients and congratulated them for their efforts to combat infectious diseases through activities that embody the ideals of primary health care.



Dr. Al-Maani, one of the prize winners



WHO announced the winners on its official Twitter feed; seen here is Dr. Wu Hao



Yohei Sasakawa, chairman of The Nippon Foundation, sent a video message to the winners (From The Nippon Foundation YouTube channel)

Publication of Memorial Book, Photo Collection Honoring Late Distinguished Senior Advisor Kenzo Kiikuni

In honor of our late Distinguished Senior Advisor Kenzo Kiikuni, who supported the Foundation as a core member from its inception until he passed away on May 15, 2020, we published a book of remembrance and a photo collection in March 2022. Although as yet there is no prospect of holding an in-person memorial service or other such events because of the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, many people who knew Professor Kiikuni contributed eulogies.

In a long interview at the beginning of the book of remembrances, Yohei Sasakawa, chairman of The Nippon Foundation, recalled various episodes, including those from before Sasakawa Memorial Health Foundation (as it was then known) was established; from the time of its founding; when we welcomed the actress Elizabeth Taylor during an AIDS awareness campaign; and the Chernobyl Sasakawa Health and Medical Cooperation Project.

“Rather than academic achievements, the work Professor Kiikuni accomplished in the academic and medical worlds was unique, connecting people to each other and creating chemical reactions,” Chairman Sasakawa said, and paid tribute to our late Distinguished Senior Advisor for his efforts to coordinate the creation of an international health pathway for Japan.

The memorial book also includes eulogies from people unrelated to the Foundation. Among them are professors who had been his students when Professor Kiikuni taught at the University of Tsukuba, who wrote how his teachings had a considerable influence on them in later life. Instances of Professor Kiikuni looking out for his students after they graduated revealed the considerate man that he was.

In the photo collection, we look back on Professor Kiikuni’s life from a different perspective, with images from the commemorative ceremony at the time of Foundation’s establishment, of his meeting with Mother Teresa together with then Nippon Foundation Chairman Ryoichi Sasakawa and current Chairman Yohei Sasakawa, and of Professor Kiikuni with our Foundation’s then Honorary President Shigeaki Hinohara at a year-end party.

We would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to all those who have sent us condolences and to everyone who has been involved with the Foundation through Distinguished Special Advisor Kenzo Kiikuni. If you would like to receive electronic copies of the memorial book and photo collection, please contact our General Affairs Department.



Book of remembrance and photo collection in memory of Professor Kenzo Kiikuni

Statement of accounts: Net asset increase/decrease

From April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022

I General net asset increase or decrease		(Unit : Yen)			
Items	A/C Public Benefit Services	A/C Entity	Total		
1. Ordinary increase or decrease	(1) Ordinary revenue	Profit from endowment management	0	13,242,311	13,242,311
		Profit from special asset management	38,807,013	26,223,801	65,030,814
		Operating revenue	515,442,385	0	515,442,385
		Subsidies received	647,665,916	77,700,000	725,365,916
		Donations received	3,496,215	0	3,496,215
		Miscellaneous revenue	8,118,898	300,000	8,418,898
		Profit from special asset sales	550,739	2,459,703	3,010,442
		Gain on revaluation of marketable securities	4,199	663	4,862
	Total ordinary revenue	1,214,085,365	119,926,478	1,334,011,843	
	(2) Ordinary expenses	Subsidies program cost	647,665,916	0	647,665,916
		Self-funded program cost	52,368,315	0	52,368,315
		Contract bussiness cost	502,491,872	0	502,491,872
		Total program expenses	1,202,526,103	0	1,202,526,103
		Subsidies administration cost	0	42,179,268	42,179,268
		Self funds administration cost	0	26,293,255	26,293,255
	Total administration expenses	0	68,472,523	68,472,523	
	Total ordinary expenses	1,202,526,103	68,472,523	1,270,998,626	
	Ordinary increase/decrease before adjustment of profit/loss valuation	11,559,262	51,453,955	63,013,217	
	Valuation profit/loss of special asset	△213,750	△27,331,377	△27,545,127	
	Total valuation profit/loss	△213,750	△27,331,377	△27,545,127	
	Ordinary increase/decrease	11,345,512	24,122,578	35,468,090	
2. Nonrecurring increase or decrease	(1) Nonrecurring revenue	Total nonrecurring revenue	0	0	0
	(2) Nonrecurring expenses	Total nonrecurring expenses	0	0	0
		Nonrecurring increase or decrease	0	0	0
		Increase/decrease of general net asset	11,345,512	24,122,578	35,468,090
		Balance of general net asset at beginning of year	795,093,266	3,036,430,307	3,831,523,573
	Balance of general net asset at end of year	806,438,778	3,060,552,885	3,866,991,663	

II Restricted net asset increase or decrease

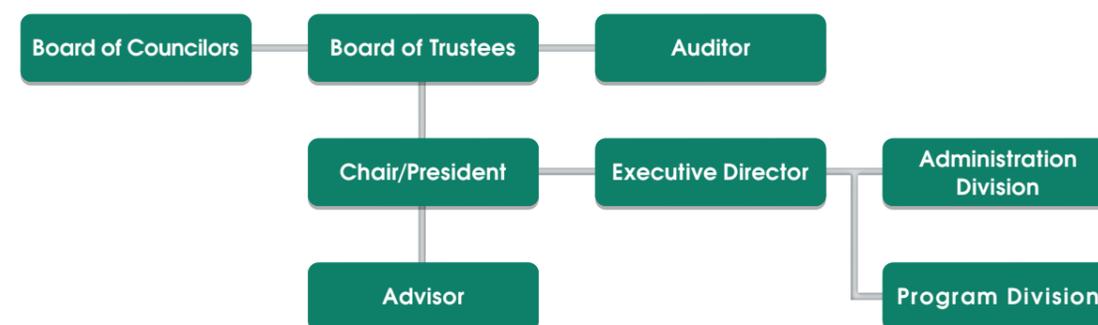
	Subsidies received	300,000,000	0	300,000,000
	Donations received	23,736,525	0	23,736,525
	Profit from endowment management	0	1,353,965	1,353,965
	Profit from special asset management	27,783,525	0	27,783,525
	Valuation profit/loss of special asset	△9,191,592	0	△9,191,592
	Reclassified into general net asset	△ 131,402,991	△ 1,353,965	△ 132,756,956
	Increase/decrease of restricted net asset	210,925,467	0	210,925,467
	Balance of restricted net asset at beginning of year	3,096,489,064	113,600,000	3,210,089,064
	Balance of restricted net asset at end of year	3,307,414,531	113,600,000	3,421,014,531

III Balance of net asset at end of year		4,113,853,309	3,174,152,885	7,288,006,194
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Profile

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Organization chart



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As of July 1, 2022

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