

Outline of the “*Nyu-in Josan Seido*” or Childbirth Assistance Program

◆What is a midwifery home?

A midwifery home is a facility defined in Article 36 of the Child Welfare Act as a place responsible for safe deliveries for expectant mothers who have financial difficulties in covering the cost of hospitalization at a hospital or maternity facility.

◆Who is eligible for this program?

- (1) Households that receive welfare benefits
- (2) Households that are exempted from paying municipal inhabitant tax for the fiscal year in which delivery is expected (for the preceding fiscal year if the household is expecting delivery between April and June.)
- (3) Households that are obliged to pay only a per capita levy of the municipal inhabitant tax for the fiscal year in which delivery is expected (for the preceding fiscal year if the household is expecting delivery between April and June.)
- (4) Households whose per income levy of the municipal inhabitant tax for the fiscal year in which delivery is expected (for the preceding fiscal year if the household is expecting the delivery between April and June) is 19,000JPY or less, and those which the Mayor of Kyoto approved the eligibility especially.

Note: Households which fall under (3) or (4) and receive *Shussan Ikuji Ichiji-kin* or the Childbirth Lump-sum Allowance of 488,000JPY or more after deducting the 12,000JPY premium provided by the Japan Obstetric Compensation System for Cerebral Palsy cannot use this program.

◆Fee (charged to the program users)

A *= Childbirth Lump-Sum Allowance (*Shussan Ikuji Ichiji-kin*)

Category	Base Fee (JPY)	Additional Fee (JPY)	Total (JPY)
Households falling under (1)	0	0	0
Households falling under (2)	2,200	$A^* \times 0.2$	99,800
Households falling under (3)	4,500	$A^* \times 0.3$	150,900
Households falling under (4)	6,600	$A^* \times 0.5$	250,600
	9,000 (In case the per income levy is less than 19,000JPY)		253,300

* 488,000 JPY, excluding 12,000 JPY which shall be provided by the Japan Obstetric Compensation

System for Cerebral Palsy.

Notes:

1. If a household falling under (2) is a single-person or a single-parent household, or a household with persons with disabilities, it will be exempted from paying the base fee; therefore, the fee will be 97,600 JPY only.
2. Those who are covered by the National Health Insurance can pay the fee to the City directly by making the fee deducted from the Childbirth Lump-sum Allowance that will be provided by the National Health Insurance. For further information, contact the Childrearing Support Office, Health and Welfare Center at ward or branch offices.
3. Those who pay the fee with the payment slip, pay it at a local financial institution with the slip which will be sent to the users after they are discharged from the midwifery home.
4. The fee only covers the cost of delivery from the admission to the center until the discharge. Any costs incurred prior to admission or after discharge, including transportation, etc. are not covered by the fee.
5. Users may be required to pay additional fees for diapers, etc. depending on the hospital.
6. In cases of multiple deliveries, the total amount of charges include the base fee and the additional fees which shall be multiplied by the number of births.

◆Application Procedure

Those who wish to use the *Nyu-in Josan Seido* or Childbirth Assistance Program need to confirm the household's tax status and shall apply with the following items at the Childrearing Support Office, Health and Welfare Center of ward or branch offices **in advance**.

Necessary Items

- (1) Application form (available at the Childrearing Support Office, Health and Welfare Center at ward or branch offices.)
- (2) Anything that can certify the eligibility of health insurance such as Mynaportal screen on the health insurance, a notice of health insurance eligibility, a Health Insurance Eligibility Certificate, or a Health Insurance Certificate*. *Only accepted until December 1, 2025.
- (3) Document verifying a booking for admission to a midwifery home.
- (4) Document verifying the due date, such as a copy of the *Boshi Kenkō Techō* or Maternal and Child Health Handbook
- (5) Document verifying the applicant's Individual Number (My Number), as well as a form of identification
- (6) A copy of Disability Certificates if any member of the same household has disability

◆Decision on Eligibility

After reviewing the abovementioned documents, the office will notify the applicants if they are eligible for the program. If there occurs any change in the information given in the application form due to changes in the status of the household and address, enrollment to a health insurance, change of the health insurance or withdrawal from the health insurance, multiple births expectation, a change in

booking of midwifery home, and other reasons, report them to the office as soon as possible. The changes may affect the applicants' eligibility. If admission is no longer deemed appropriate as a result of the change, the granted eligibility shall be revoked.

◆List of Hospitals Designated as Midwifery Homes

Name of Facility	Address	Capacity (people)	Telephone (075)
Kyoto Daini Sekijuji Byōin Japanese Red Cross Kyoto Daini Hospital	355-5 Haruobi-cho, Kamanza-dori Marutamachi-agaru, Kamigyo-ku	2	231-5171
Kyoto Furitsu Ikadaigaku Fuzoku Byōin University Hospital Kyoto Prefectural University of Medicine	465 Kajii-cho, Kawaramachi-dori Hirokoji-agaru, Kamigyo-ku	2	251-5111
Kyoto Shiritsu Byōin Kyoto City Hospital	1-2 Mibu Higashi Takada-cho, Nakagyo-ku	2	311-5311
Kyoto Daiichi Sekijuji Byōin Japanese Red Cross Kyoto Daiichi Hospital	749 Honmachi 15-chōme, Higashiyama-ku	4	561-1121
Rakuwakai Otowa Byōin	2 Otowa Chinji-cho, Yamashina-ku	3	593-4111
Imaikai Daini Adachi Byōin	1 Yotsutsuka-cho, Minami-ku	1	681-7316
Kyoto Min-i-ren Chuo Byōin	2-1 Uzumasa Tsuchimoto-cho, Ukyo- ku,	5	861-2220
Kyoto Katsura Byōin	17 Yamada Hirao-cho, Nishikyo-ku	2	391-5811
Independent Administrative Institution National Hospital Organization Kyoto Iryo Center	1-1 Mukouhata-cho, Fukakusa Fushimi-ku	*	641-9161
Ijinkai Takeda Sogo Byōin	28-1 Ishida Mori Minami-cho, Fus himi-ku	3	572-6331

* The availability depends on vacancies; therefore, contact the facility for further details.

◆Midwifery homes located outside Kyoto City

Those who wish to use a midwifery home located outside Kyoto City, consult about it with the Childrearing Support Office, Health and Welfare Center at ward or branch offices first to check whether the hospital is designated as a midwifery home and make a booking.