National Health Insurance Card and Premium Invoices

1 National Health Insurance Card

【How to receive】: Sent to you by post in a few days after your application at City/Ward office

【What it looks like】: A light green paper card with Fukuoka-city logo (※See the sample)

【How to use】: Peel off the card ,stuck to the cardboard sheet enclosed in the letter, and half-fold it for use.

【Note】: In case of emergency or in case you need to see a doctor, you are asked to present it. You are highly advised to carry it around with you along with your Residence Card. This card can act as your ID in Japan, just like a driver's license. Therefore, it could be used for bad ends. Please be sure not to misplace it.

2 Monthly premium invoices for National Health Insurance & Payment (※Fiscal year in Japan : April - March)

For those who arrive in April: As indicated in【Invoices】・【Note】below.

For those who arrive in March: March Invoice is to be sent to you by post in the following month of your application at City/Ward office. so make a payment by the due date indicated in the invoice. After April, it will be the same to those who arrive in April.

【How to receive】: Sent to you in the following month of your application at City/Ward Office . After that, it will be as follows.

【Billing cycles】: Invoices come in separated slips for each month. (※See the sample) ; and Billing slips are issued as a set for months in a relevant fiscal year, ie., next month of your application to March in the following year.

【Where to pay】: At a convenience store or a bank (not at ATM but only over-the-counter), show your invoice for the payment.

《Optional method》--- Automatic bank-transfer

The application form for it (pink colored) is enclosed with the invoices for you. You can apply at a bank counter. This monthly withdrawal service automatically lasts years until you cancel your national health insurance upon your return home, once it's set up.

【Due-date】: The end of every month (Lump-sum payment for a few month-invoices at once is acceptable, however, there is no discount for it).

【Premiums for Next Fiscal Year 】: You are requested to file an Income Report in May next year.

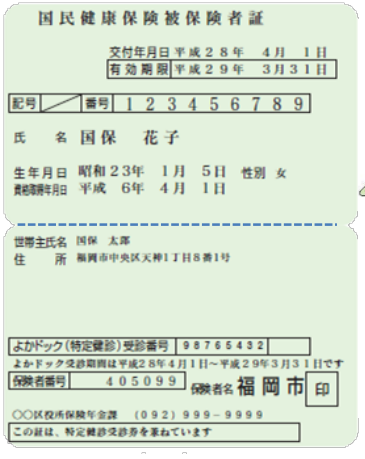
Its form will be sent to you in mid-May by post. Please do NOT fail to send the completed form by the designated deadline.

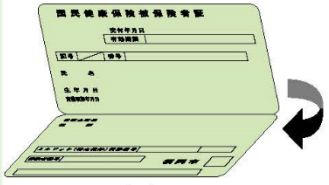
※Premiums are newly calculated based on previous year's income of the insured

【Invoices】: Sent to you by post in mid-June. (June for the fiscal year to Mar. in the following year for 10 months)

【Note】: April and May are designated as non-payment months. ※Please discard irrelevant invoices for months after the final month of your stay in Japan.

Sample





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Barcode for a convenience store

Check the due date for each month's payment