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ACTIVITY REPORT

CURRENT ACTIVITIES (APRIL-JUNE 2025)

AUGUST 2025

MESSAGE FROM CHAIR

HGPI IS COMMITTED TO PURSUING THE CREATION OF A BETTER WORLD

Health and Global Policy Institute (HGPI) is proud to be independent, non-profit, and non-partisan, which is rare among think tanks in Japan.

When HGPI develops policy recommendations, we do not base them on the opinions of any single specific expert or sector, but develop them through true multistakeholder discussion that brings together people from industry, government, academia, and civil society. We gather diverse opinions and synthesize them in policy proposals.

It is now more important than ever that healthcare policy be created based on the collective knowledge of society. In order to achieve that, it is crucial that we approach policy development via a process of rigorous debate in which representatives of industry, government, academia, and civil society can participate as equals. Fair discussions that are open to people from all relevant sectors are especially important for policy topics in the fields of health and healthcare, as these fields impact the lives of every single member of the public. Unfortunately, opportunities to synthesize collective knowledge in this manner are still too few in Japan.

Multistakeholder-developed, broad-based policy proposals are more impactful and useful than policy proposals that represent the views of only one specific industry or stakeholder. We believe that it is our commitment to the development of such proposals that has allowed us to influence policy reforms up to this point.

Based on that belief, we have focused our activities in recent years around a singular policy: “HGPI is dedicated to fostering multi-stakeholder health policy debate globally, with a commitment to the inclusion of civil society. Through conversations with stakeholders, HGPI is working to realize evidence-based health policies that are meaningful in a global context, and of real value to the people that need them the most.”

What is the best way to gather diverse opinions and synthesize collective knowledge? We want to create evidence-based policy proposals, but how should we define “evidence” in our recommendations, when health policy so often focuses on such broad topics as the way people live, their happiness, and their health? Policy creation and validation sometimes requires us to redefine existing values and methods. This requirement should not be taken lightly. We believe that we must approach the development of health policy seriously, with an understanding of the true impact that policy can have on people’s lives. I believe that our serious approach to these issues is what makes it possible for us to consistently gather diverse stakeholders from all sectors for open and free debate on various policies.

Every one of the core members of HGPI is committed to pursuing the creation of a better world. We are dedicated to developing the policy options that society needs through careful and deliberate debate. We humbly request your continued support for these efforts.

Ryoji Noritake
Chair



About HGPI



■ Non-profit, Independent, and Global

Health and Global Policy Institute (HGPI) is a Tokyo-based independent and non-profit health policy think tank, established in 2004.

Since establishment, HGPI has pursued its mission of “Achieving citizen-centered health policy by bringing stakeholders together as an independent think-tank.” One of the Institute’s guiding principles in activities for this mission is to hold fast to its independence without adhering to the interests of any political party or organization. HGPI will continue to maintain political neutrality and independence from any organization in conducting its activities.

Guiding Principles

01 **CONNECT and FACILITATE**

We connect players and facilitate discussions

02 **INDEPENDENT and GLOBAL**

We represent an independent voice and nurture a global perspective

03 **FEASIBLE and RESPONSIBLE**

We provide feasible and responsible policy options

04 **RESEARCH and ANALYSIS**

We provide quality research and analysis

05 **OPEN and CREATIVE**

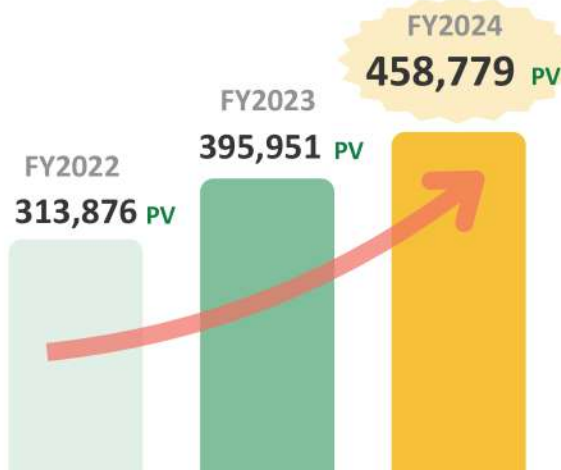
We are open to new ideas and foster creative solutions

DATA REPORT



HGPI Webpages Page View

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20 YEARS

Established in 2004,
We celebrated our 20th anniversary
in 2024.



HGPI IN NUMBERS FY2024



Number of Events Held

82 times

Number of Participants

more than

6,300 people

Top 3 Participant Count



Policy Recommendations/ Number of Surveys Conducted

26 times

Number of File Download

more than

23,000 times

Top 3 Most Viewed Recommendations



Thank you to those who participated and cooperated in the research.

PROJECTS

Present Engagement

- AMR: Antimicrobial Resistance
- NCDs: Non-Communicable Diseases
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- Blood Disorders



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Future Engagement

- Planetary Health
- Global Health
- Women's Health
- Child Health



PRESENT ENGAGEMENT

AMR: Antimicrobial Resistance



Bringing People Together to Build Resistance against AMR

MAY 13, 2025 FY2025 AMR Alliance Japan Planning Meeting

AMR Alliance Japan, as an independent platform for multisector discussion with the mission of contributing to the improvement of public health by promoting measures on AMR, will continue to work with Alliance members and partner organizations to deepen policy debate around AMR.



■Participants (Titles omitted; in gojūon syllabary order)

Tetsuo Asai (Chairman, Japanese Society of Antimicrobials for Animals/ Professor, Joint Graduate School of Veterinary Sciences, Gifu University)
Kyoko Ama (Representative, Children and Healthcare Project/ Fellow, Health and Global Policy Institute)
Yusuke Ariyoshi (New Product Planning Department, Shionogi Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.)
Takahito Ikeda (Senior Staff, Community Medical Division, Health and Welfare Bureau, Himeji City)
Kae Ikeda (Chief, One Health General Promotion Division, Department of Public Health and Medical Affairs, Fukuoka Prefectural Government)
Yoko Kayama (Japan Medicine Development Leader, Japan Development, GlaxoSmithKline K.K.)
Michiyo Kawana (Managing Director, Japan Pharmaceutical Association)
Takashi Kitahara (Board Member, Japanese Society of Hospital Pharmacists)
Hideaki Sakamoto (Incentive Task Force Leader, Japan Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association)
Hayato Shishido (Department Head of Marketing Department, Shimadzu Diagnostics Corporation)
Satoshi Takahashi (Chairperson of the Board of Directors, Japanese Society of Chemotherapy)

Yoshisaburo Takahashi (Corporate Planning & Strategy, Meiji Seika Pharma Co., Ltd.)
Hidemasa Nakaminami (Professor, Tokyo University of Pharmacy and Life Sciences/ The Pharmaceutical Society of Japan)
Tsubasa Hamada (Public & External Affairs Dept., Meiji Seika Pharma Co., Ltd.)
Junichi Hirayama (Medical Affairs, bioMérieux Japan Ltd.)
Runa Masuda (Clerk, Community Medical Division, Health and Welfare Bureau, Himeji City)
Akinobu Matsuda (Manager, Community Medical Division, Health and Welfare Bureau, Himeji City)
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Yuichi Muraki (Director, Japanese Society of Pharmaceutical Health Care and Sciences)
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Akira Yuasa (Director, HEOR Lead, Access & Value, Pfizer Japan Inc.)
Kazuhiko Yoshikawa (Director, Public & External Affairs Dept., Meiji Seika Pharma Co., Ltd.)
Yoshinori Watanabe (Shimadzu Diagnostics Corporation)

MAY 15, 2025 AMR Online Seminar

Current Status of Drug-Resistant Pertussis: Challenges and Prospects in Pediatric Infectious Disease Care

We welcomed Dr. Kazunobu Ouchi, who has been involved with AMR Alliance Japan for many years as the Japanese Society for Pediatric Infectious Diseases, and Ms. Kyoko Ama, who has been leading advocacy activities from the perspective of civil society in the fields of pediatric and emergency medicine. They discussed the challenges of pediatric healthcare and the fight against AMR, including drug-resistant pertussis. By using this specific topic of the outbreak of “drug-resistant pertussis” as a starting point, we hope to foster deeper understanding of how antimicrobial resistance affects children’s health and the future of healthcare and society.



MAY 29, 2025 Policy Recommendations

Recommendation for the Basic Policy on Economic and Fiscal Management and Reform 2025:
Toward Promoting Measures Against Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR)

AMR Alliance Japan released “Recommendation for the Basic Policy on Economic and Fiscal Management and Reform 2025” to promote infectious disease control measures combat antimicrobial resistance (AMR).

- In AMR control, discuss and advance efforts to secure or conduct R&D on antimicrobials by reviewing or expanding market incentives with multi-stakeholder engagement involving industry, government, academia, and civil society and serve the international community as a leader while balancing national and global interests.
- In addition, Japan should reinforce production systems, stabilize supply chains, and take similar measures to secure ingredients for antimicrobials and diagnostic reagents as medical countermeasures (MCMs) as a priority issue for economic security.
- While harmonizing with efforts to advance healthcare digital transformation (DX), promote infectious disease control based on the One Health approach by gathering accurate epidemiological surveillance data and expanding systems for rapid analysis.

JUN 24, 2025 HGPI-The University of Tokyo Joint Lecture
One Health, One Planet – Combating AMR for a Sustainable Future

Dr. Kristina Osbjør, Director of Science at the International Centre for Antimicrobial Resistance Solutions (ICARS), delivered an insightful lecture that deepened interdisciplinary understanding of antimicrobial resistance (AMR) and emphasized the urgent need for multisectoral collaboration to combat AMR within the broader context of One Health recognizing the interdependence of human, animal, and environmental health.



JUN 26, 2025 International Policy Dialogue
Advancing Action on AMR – Sustainable Policies, Financing, and Global Partnerships

An international policy dialogue was held at the Residence of the Danish Ambassador to Japan. HGPI Manager Ms. Yui Kohno, participated as a moderator. The dialogue brought together a wide range of stakeholders, including governments representatives, research institutions, healthcare professionals, international organizations, development agencies, the private sector, and civil society from Japan, Denmark and the United Kingdom.



Lived Experiences



Experiences with Eye Disease and AMR

Mr. Junichi Maruyama

Former Ambassador of Japan to Serbia

AMR Control in Conflict Zones: Challenges and New Perspectives on AMR Control in Conflict Zones as Seen in Medical Practice in the Gaza Strip

Dr. Tatsuya Ukawa

Physician, Médecins Sans Frontières



AMR Alliance Japan

Established in November 2018 by academic societies working in infectious disease medicine, pharmaceutical companies, and medical device manufacturers, AMR Alliance Japan is an independent platform for the promotion of multisector discussion on AMR countermeasures. The Alliance develops and disseminates policy recommendations to: (1) ensure that AMR countermeasures are in line with the current situation of patients and healthcare settings; (2) promote the national and international AMR agenda; and (3) advance Japan's AMR policy.

NCDs: Non-Communicable Diseases

Towards building an inclusive society to prevent and control NCDs, together with people living with NCDs



Cancer Control Project

Policy Recommendations

APR 28, 2025



Ensuring Equitable Access to Cancer Gene Panel Testing and Key Considerations for Applying the Mixed Medical Services Program

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This recommendation addresses institutional issues in Japan's cancer genomic medicine system, where cancer gene panel testing (CGP) is, in principle, limited to patients who have completed standard treatments. As a result, optimal treatment opportunities are sometimes missed, creating disparities in access among patients. Furthermore, ongoing discussions regarding the application of Japan's Mixed Medical Services Program—a regulatory framework allowing partial integration of insured and uninsured treatments—raise additional concerns about equity and sustainability.

Perspective

- 1** Abolish the current restriction that limits CGP to patients who have completed (or are expected to complete) standard treatment under the national reimbursement system. Testing should be made available at an appropriate time in accordance with relevant clinical guidelines, enabling patients to receive the right treatment at the right time.
- 2** When considering the application of CGP from the initial treatment phase under the Mixed Medical Services Program, the discussion must recognize that CGP is already being used to select approved standard therapies and that significant socioeconomic disparities exist in private insurance coverage. Public coverage should remain the foundational goal.
- 3** As a transitional measure, Japan should promote the development of cross-drug companion diagnostics. Simultaneously, policymakers should continue to address the systemic divide between CGP and companion diagnostics under the reimbursement structure and prepare for future integration with whole genome sequencing.

Mental Health

It is because anyone can be affected by mental health issues in the modern era that we must create a society in which people can live with peace of mind even if they develop a mental health disorder or similar issue.



MAY 23, 2025 **Japan-Australia Online Round Table Discussion**

The Impact of Social Media on the Mental Health of Children and Young People and How Social Media Should Be Used in Society

This roundtable discourse convened knowledgeable representatives with different perspectives and from different backgrounds, including the young people in question, researchers and policy makers from Japan and Australia. The discussion was based on the latest policy and research trends, scientific evidence and practical knowledge from a cross-sectoral perspective, with reference to the Australian approach.



Activities towards the 4th UN High-Level Meeting (HLM4) on Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) and Mental Health (Scheduled for September 25, 2025)

- MAY 02, 2025** HGPI participated in the Multi-Stakeholder Hearing held at the United Nations Headquarters in New York. The event aimed to gather perspectives from civil society, patients and people living with NCDs, youth, the private sector, international organizations, and governments in preparation for HLM4.
- MAY 23, 2025** At the request of the President of the UN General Assembly, the co-facilitators—the Permanent Representatives of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and Luxembourg—circulated the Zero Draft Political Declaration ahead of the HLM4. In response to this international process, HGPI submitted joint inputs from its Planetary Health, Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR), and Global Health Strategy Projects. These recommendations also reflect insights developed through long-standing work on individual NCD-related areas such as dementia, mental health, kidney disease, obesity, cardiovascular disease, and cancer.
- MAY 27, 2025** HGPI released an urgent recommendations for HLM4: “Addressing Commercial Determinants of Health through Regulation of Alcoholic Beverage Availability.”



NCD Alliance Japan

NCD Alliance Japan is a collaborative platform for civil society organizations in the NCD community steered by the Health and Global Policy Institute. Its aim is to further promote comprehensive, cross-cutting NCD policies.

Since 2013, NCD Alliance Japan has served as Japan's point-of-contact for the NCD Alliance, which brings together over 2,000 civil society organizations and academic institutions in more than 170 countries. NCD Alliance Japan was officially recognized as a full member of the NCD Alliance in January 2019.

Dementia

In pursuit of our mission of “promoting multi-stakeholder collaboration to advance dementia policy.”



JUN 28, 2025 **Inclusive Community Dialogue on Building an Inclusive Society for People with Dementia** Otake City, Hiroshima Prefecture

By helping local residents deepen their understanding of dementia and introducing them to the “new perception of dementia,” this community discussion provided participants with an opportunity to recognize the immediate relevance of dementia. Another objective of the dialogue was to gather opinions on dementia care pathways from the viewpoints of citizens.



Vaccinations



The value that immunization and vaccination provide to each individual and society

Policy Recommendations

APR 24, 2025

Reshaping Japan's Immunization Policy for Life Course Coverage and Vaccine Equity: Challenges and Prospects for an Era of Prevention and Health Promotion

These recommendations revisit the fundamental principle of Japan's immunization and vaccination programs, to prevent vaccine preventable diseases (VPD), and outline the long-term direction for future immunization and vaccine policy in Japan.

Discussion Point

- 1 Conditions for vaccines to be included in the routine immunization schedule must be clarified and the positioning of category B and related diseases in the Immunization Act must be reviewed
- 2 The national government and local governments must unite in expanding immunization financing to correct disparities in immunization opportunities among municipalities or by area of residence.
- 3 Correcting age-based disparities in immunization opportunities will ultimately require a full redesign of the immunization system that takes precedents set by local governments into account.
- 4 Revaccination support and similar measures must be expanded to address disparities in immunization opportunities caused by disease risk.
- 5 The functions of the Immunization and Vaccine Subcommittee and similar groups must be reinforced, and the immunization system must undergo evidence-based evaluation.
- 6 Policy discussions must be advanced through multi-stakeholder discussions that consider immunization policy in terms of the overall health system.

Blood Disorders

To encourage new developments in the area of blood disorders and the spread of best practices from this area to other disease areas

APR 09, 2025 **The 2nd Advisory Board Meeting**

Improving Outcomes and Quality of Life For People Living with Blood Disorders

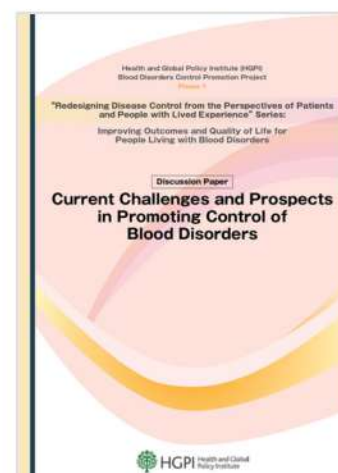
JUN 13, 2025 **Discussion Points**

Current Issues and Prospects for Advancing Blood Disorders Measures Promotion

We hosted multi-stakeholder discussions and individual hearings with representatives of industry, academia, and civil society, which was an unprecedented effort in the area of blood disorders.

Perspective

- I Structural issues of the healthcare provision system
- II Issues facing community transition and collaborative treatment
- III Obstacles to patient-centered healthcare and QOL improvements
- IV Challenges for R&D and for institutional support



CIVIL SOCIETY ENGAGEMENT

Meaningful Involvement Promotion



APR 22, 2025 **Cooperation**

Guidance on Promoting Meaningful Involvement for People with Psychosocial or Developmental Disabilities

As a participant in the “Project for Promoting Involvement for People with Psychosocial Disabilities and Developmental Disabilities” led by Porque, the Organization of Persons with Psychosocial Disabilities (and conducted with financial support from the KIRIN Welfare Foundation’s FY2024 KIRIN Power of Welfare Development Program), HGPI contributed to the development of the Guidance, one of the deliverables of that project. *Available only in Japanese

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当事者参画推進に向けたガイダンス



一般社団法人精神障害当事者会ポルケ

MAY 17, 2025 **Public Event**

The Patient and Citizen Lived Experience Forum 2025

The forum featured two main programs that shared practical insights and ideas for future engagement.



Program 1: Talk Session — “The First Step Toward Meaningful Involvement: Moving Forward Together”

Panel Talk 1: Listening to Real Examples of Involvement



■ Participants (Titles omitted; no particular order)

Yutaka Ozawa (Assistant Section Chief, Cancer Control Group, Disease Control Division, Medical Bureau, Health and Welfare Department, Shizuoka Prefecture)
Hitoshi Fukuhara (Representative Director, Heart Valve Voice)
Kyoko Yamauchi (Representative, Swallow Association)
Facilitator: Honoka Hiraka (Senior Associate, HGPI)

Panel Talk 2: Diverse Experiences from the Field



■ Participants (Titles omitted; no particular order)

Mayu Okuno (President, Saitama IBD Association)
Kirie Sakurai (Vice Chair, NPO GISTERS)
Takeshi Shukunobe (President and CEO, PPeCC)
Yuuhei Yamada (Representative Director, Porque, the Organization of Persons with Psychosocial Disabilities)
Facilitator: Orii Yamashita (Associate, HGPI)

Program 2: Level Up Workshop — “Let’s Take Our First Step Toward Involvement!”

Chair’s Dialogue Session

MAY 09, 2025 **The 1st Session**

Introduction to Public-Private Partnerships — Global Case Studies in the Healthcare Sector



This seminar series was launched to provide an open forum for discussion and dialogue on key issues in healthcare and health policy in Japan and around the world. Each session features a global leader in the healthcare field either from Japan or abroad who delivers a lecture on a specific theme, followed by a dialogue with the Chair of HGPI.

In the inaugural session, we welcomed Dr. Andy Poh, Senior Fellow at HGPI and Honorary Professor at the University of Birmingham. Dr. Poh delivered a keynote presentation on public-private partnerships (PPPs) in the healthcare sector. Following his lecture, he engaged in a dialogue with Mr. Ryoji Noritake, Chair of HGPI, facilitating a multifaceted exchange of perspectives.

Archived
videos are
now available
on YouTube



HGPI Seminar

MAY 20, 2025 **The 133rd HGPI Seminar**

Future of the Health Care System

Better Use of Cost-effectiveness Evaluation for Pharmaceuticals in Japan

Dr. Ataru Igarashi
HGPI Fellow/ Project Associate Professor, Graduate School of
Pharmaceutical Sciences, The University of Tokyo/
Visiting Associate Professor,
Graduate School of Data Science, Yokohama City University

MAY 28, 2025 **The 134th HGPI Seminar**

Other Activities

**Understanding Evidence-Based Dietary Guidelines:
Leveraging the Dietary Reference Intakes for Japanese**

Dr. Satoshi Sasaki
Professor Emeritus,
The University of Tokyo



HGPI Salon

HGPI Salon 2025 “Looking Ahead to the Future of Japan’s Social Security System”

A series of four meetings will be held throughout 2025 to share issues in healthcare and social security and to provide a forum for discussion toward the future.

JUN 27, 2025 **Session 2****Japan’s Healthcare Costs and the Sustainability of Universal Health Coverage**

This session featured a discussion with the participants led by HGPI’s board member Dr. Yusuke Tsugawa and Senior Associate Mr. Kai Shigeno. Following a presentation by Dr. Tsugawa on Japan’s healthcare cost challenges from a health economics perspective, a wide range of opinions were exchanged from the participants. Topics included the evaluation criteria needed for future healthcare, the definition and listing process for low-value care, the overutilization of medical resources occurring in clinical settings and intervention methods; approaches to long-term care costs, the nature of evidence in preventive medicine; the relationship between wasteful medical care and personalized medicine, the acceptable scope of healthcare cost reduction, and the fundamental question of whether healthcare cost reduction is truly necessary.



Yusuke Tsugawa
Board Member, HGPI

SESSION 1
FEB 12

Shinsuke Muto

SESSION 2
JUN 27

Yusuke Tsugawa

SESSION 3
OCT 07

Kohei Onozaki

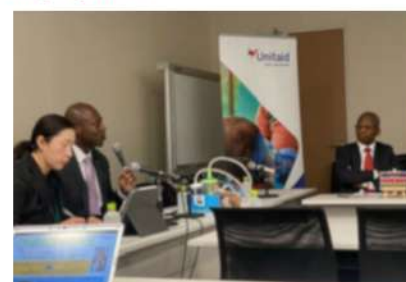
SESSION 4
NOV 11

Satoko Hotta

Diet Member Briefing

JUN 06, 2025 **Non-partisan Diet Member Briefing “30-minute Health Policy Update”****Strategic Global Expansion of Japanese Companies:
Public-Private Partnerships in Japan’s Health Sector with Unitaïd**

The session welcomed Mr. Tenu Avafia, Deputy Executive Director of Unitaïd, as the speaker. He shared leading examples of partnership between the public and private sectors aligned with Japan’s global health strategy, and highlighted efforts to enhance equitable access to healthcare.



FUTURE ENGAGEMENT

Planetary Health



The healthcare sector can take to address global challenges to achieve health, well-being, and equity.

Policy Recommendations

JUN 09, 205

Preparing for “Disaster-Level Heat” in the 2025 Basic Policy on Economic and Fiscal Management and Reform

The Planetary Health Project at HGPI has released a policy recommendation titled “Institutional Design for Responding to Health Crises in the Era of Climate Change — Integrating Preparedness for Both Upstream and Downstream Impacts of ‘Disaster-Level Heat’ into the Basic Policy on Economic and Fiscal Management and Reform (2025)”, also known as the Honebuto Policy.

This proposal highlights the urgent need to realign national policy through the lens of Planetary Health from the following three perspectives.

Key Points

1. Building a Cross-Sectoral Policy Framework Centered on Planetary Health
2. Shifting Toward “Health × Disaster Preparedness”: Redefining Regional Resilience
3. Advancing Decarbonized Healthcare and Long-Term Care Systems Through GX and Global Collaboration

Policy Recommendations

JUN 09, 205

Integrating “Planetary Health” as a Growth Strategy — Proposal for the Grand Design and Action Plan for a New Form of Capitalism (2025 Revised Edition)

The Planetary Health Project at HGPI has released a policy recommendation calling for the integration of a “planetary health” perspective—emphasizing the interconnection between the environment and human health—into the core of the “Grand Design and Action Plan for a New Form of Capitalism (2025 Revised Edition).”

This proposal highlights the importance of adopting planetary health as a cross-cutting policy framework to materialize key goals of the new capitalism, such as creating a virtuous cycle of growth and distribution, fostering new markets through the resolution of social challenges, and improving national well-being. It underscores the need to integrate planetary health into green transformation (GX) strategies, healthcare policy, and disaster resilience planning.

Key Points

1. Integrating Planetary Health into GX Strategy
2. Reforming the Health and Long-Term Care Systems through International Collaboration
3. Redesigning Disaster Risk Reduction to Address Climate and Health Linkages
4. Establishing Locally-Led Planetary Health Models

**10 Years of Planetary Health: Updates Regarding PHA**

MAR 15, 2025

2025 marks the 10th anniversary of the publication of the landmark report by the Rockefeller Foundation and the Lancet Commission, in which the concept of planetary health was formally proposed. It is also the 10th anniversary of the founding of the Planetary Health Alliance (PHA), of which HGPI is an official member.

Column 60**Part 14: International and Domestic Perspectives on Biodiversity and Health Policy Trends**

In recent years, international policy discussions emphasizing the interconnection between biodiversity and health have advanced rapidly. Especially since the COVID-19 pandemic, a shared global recognition has emerged that biodiversity loss increases the risk of infectious disease outbreaks. This has repeatedly underscored the necessity of integrated approaches combining environmental and health policies. This edition of the Planetary Health Policy Column outlines recent international and domestic trends in biodiversity and health policy and discusses future prospects.

Global Health**Global Health Education Program (G-HEP) 2024**MAY 29, 2025 **Final Report Released**

HGPI has released the final report for the Global Health Education Program (G-HEP) 2024. This program was co-hosted by HGPI, the Faculty of Public Health at Mahidol University, and the Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University, with support from the Japan Foundation.

Held under the theme, “Fostering multilateral collaboration among young leaders to address planetary health challenges,” the program brought together 12 participants from Japan, Thailand, and the United States over a six-month period. They engaged in online lectures, group work centered on case study themes, and fieldwork in both Thailand and Japan.

**HGPI Hosted a Discussion With ERIA, CII and JCIE**

JUN 25, 2025

This meeting was organized as a means for the four organizations to learn from each other and to identify potential opportunities for future collaboration.



Women's Health



Discussion Points

JUN 26, 2025



Round Table Discussion "Understanding Menopausal Women's Health as a Social Issue"

Women's Health Project has published a summary of key discussion points based on the roundtable discussion held on November 19, 2024. In the discussion, participants deliberated on specific measures and policies to promote menopause and women's health measures in the workplace based on the five perspectives HGPI identified through its activities in 2023 as necessary for promoting menopause measures in the workplace: "1. Research" "2. Education and Awareness" "3. Environment" "4. Occupational Health" and "5. Community and Society." Diverse perspectives were presented from each participant's experience implementing menopause measures in their organizations, their learnings, and perceived challenges.

■Participants (Titles omitted; no particular order)

Helen Tomlinson (UK & Ireland Head of Talent, The Adecco Group / The former UK Menopause Employment Champion)
Eri Shinsa (Manager, Business Development Department, Asano Printing Works, Ltd.)
Izumi Mabuchi (Assistant Manager, Employee Support Division, Administrative System Development Bureau, General Affairs Department, Tottori Prefectural Government)
Yukie Okuda (Vice President and Division Director, Human Resources Division, AKKODIS Consulting Ltd.)
Shuichi Numata (Office Administrative Manager, Yasuda Hospital, Yasuda Hakwai, General Inc. Association)

Mariko Ogawa (Project Professor, Fukushima Medical Center For Children and Women Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology School of Medicine Fukushima Medical University)
Masato Hiratake (Head, Digital Innovation Center, Mitsubishi Corporation)
Hiroshi Fukuda (Project Professor, Department of Advanced Preventive Medicine and Health Literacy, Graduate School of Medicine, Juntendo University)
Nao Kurihara (Health Management Officer, Human Resources Division, YUASA TRADING Co., Ltd.)
Akiko Matsuzaka (Public Health Nurse, Wellness Promotion Center, Human Resources Division, YUASA TRADING Co., Ltd.)
Emi Tanimura (Corporate Officer, Brand Communication sec.Section Manager Social Good Dept. SUNNY SIDE UP GROUP Inc.)

Child Health



Policy Recommendations

APR 30, 2025



Strengthening Lifelong Mental Health Support for Children with Intellectual Disabilities

Our FY2024 activities aimed to establish a mental health support system for children with intellectual disabilities and to further expand opportunities for the early detection and intervention of mental disorders. As part of these efforts, we developed and carried out a skill development program for promoting mental health for high school students with intellectual disabilities. After implementing the program, we also conducted an effectiveness assessment to gauge its impact. We then compiled policy recommendations that reflect our findings and interviews with specialists and supporters. We aim to broadly disseminate these recommendations to policy makers and other key parties in hopes of creating a future in which children with intellectual disabilities can grow up with peace of mind and live true to themselves as full members of society.

*Please note that this report is available in Japanese only

Overview of policy recommendations

- Perspective 1 Strengthening mental health support in special support schools
- Perspective 2 Establishing systems providing seamless mental health support before and after graduation

Other Activities

MAY 07, 2025 **HGPI Expert Policy Advocacy Platform**

Better Use of Cost-effectiveness Evaluation for Pharmaceuticals in Japan

Dr. Ataru Igarashi, an HGPI Fellow, has created a set of policy recommendations. These recommendations are being released as a part of HGPI's recently launched "HGPI Expert Policy Advocacy Platform," which will facilitate the creation and promotion of policy recommendations by HGPI fellows and others associated with the Institute.



Three key points to better utilize cost-effectiveness evaluation of pharmaceuticals

- Ensure CEE results are communicated to the public in an accurate and easy-to-understand manner
- Determine CEE results (i.e. conduct appraisals) with multi-stakeholder engagement
- Develop human resources who can shoulder accountability for CEE results

Public Comment Submission

AMR

Planetary Health

Voluntary National Review on Sustainable Development Goals

APR 18, 2025

Global Issues Cooperation Division of the International Cooperation Bureau at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Planetary Health

AMR

Planetary Health

Vision for Home-Visit Nursing Toward 2040 (Draft)

MAY 02, 2025

Liaison Conference for the Promotion of Home-Visit Nursing

FY2025 Tokyo Metropolitan Citizens' Project Proposal Initiative

MAY 30, 2025

Tokyo Metropolitan Government's Bureau of Finance

Japan Health Policy NOW (JHPN)



Created in 2015 by HGPI, Japan Health Policy NOW (JHPN) is the only centralized platform in the world on Japanese health policy available in both Japanese and English. As global attention turns to Japan, one of the world's fastest ageing countries, there is increasing interest in Japanese health policy and a growing need to share information on Japan's health policy with the world.

JHPN WEBSITE





Lectures

Co-Creating with a Citizen-Centered Approach, a Society Resilient to Infectious Diseases
Joint Meeting of the 99th Annual Meeting of the Japanese Society for Infectious Diseases and the 73rd Annual Meeting of the Japanese Society of Chemotherapy Symposium

On May 9, 2025, Ms. Yui Kohno, Manager, delivered a presentation at Symposium. In her presentation, titled “Bridging Voices: Advancing Citizen-Centered Involvement to Counter Infectious Diseases,” Ms. Kohno introduced collaborative efforts with patient organizations and patient leaders, partnerships with national and local governments, and the recent launch of “Japan’s Patient Expert Platform (J-PEP).”



Yokohama, Kanagawa

Nordic Health Days
Nordic Pavillion, Expo 2025 Osaka, Kansai, Japan

On June 25 and 26, 2025, Chair Mr. Ryoji Noritake, Senior Manager Dr. Haruka Sakamoto, and Manager Ms. Yui Kohno participated in multiple sessions at the “Nordic Health Days” held at the Nordic Pavilion during Expo 2025 Osaka, Kansai, Japan, respectively.



Yumeshima, Osaka

Transform Care Forum
Signature Pavilion “Better Co-Being”, Expo 2025 Osaka, Kansai, Japan

On May 15, 2025, Chair Mr. Ryoji Noritake participated as a speaker at the “Transform Care Forum” held at the “Better Co-Being” signature pavilion during Expo 2025 Osaka, Kansai, Japan.

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<p>Making Use of Health Checkups for Kidney Disease</p> <p>The Nikkei Personal Opinion and Insight</p>	<p>From Plan to Impact VIII -Time to deliver-</p> <p>Alzheimer’s Disease International (ADI)</p>
<p>AMR Alliance Japan Presents Recommendations for the Basic Policy on Economic and Fiscal Management and Reform to Advance AMR Countermeasures</p> <p>The Nikkan Yakugyo</p>	<p>Fighting at 84 with Dementia: ‘I Won’t Change!’ – Source of energy from the companions that sweat together at the Bamboo grove</p> <p>Nippon.com</p>
<p>HGPI Held the Joint Lecture “One Health, One Planet – Combating AMR for a Sustainable Future”</p> <p>Pharm Press</p>	<p>Unitaid Executives Visit Japan to Tackle Health Issues, Leveraging Japanese Technology</p> <p>Asahi Shimbun</p>

Advocacy Activities to Encourage the Adoption of the Recommendations in Our Policy Proposals



HGPI composes and publishes reports and policy proposals for each of its projects. HGPI also makes efforts to encourage the implementation of the recommendations contained in those publications through advocacy activities targeting the government and Diet. Those efforts include providing explanations on the content of each report and proposal to representatives from relevant departments with the local and national government or to Diet members and local assembly members on an individual basis. In addition to cooperating closely with parties relevant to each project from the local and national government, HGPI also functions as a hub that creates links within the community of experts in each field when creating content for Diet member study sessions or when drafting bills. We engage in these cooperative efforts with a shared intent of encouraging the implementation of concrete policies based on our recommendations. In the past, recommendations included in HGPI's reports and policy proposals have been reflected in policies after having been cited in presentations made by various groups within the government, including nonpartisan Diet member groups and project teams, or in proposals composed by those groups.

Providing Professional Expertise

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Senior members of HGPI have held various titles on government committees and in global health societies. Some of those titles are listed below.



Kiyoshi Kurokawa	Healthcare Policy Advisor, Cabinet Secretariat; Chairman, Council on the Future of Tokyo in a Super-Aged Society; Chairman, Cabinet Office's AI Advisory Board, Special Advisors to the Cabinet, Chairperson, Hideyo Noguchi Africa Prize Committee
Ryoji Noritake	Member, World Dementia Council; Member, Dementia Innovation Alliance Public and Private Sector Working Group, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry
Shinsuke Muto	Information Policy Advisor, Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare
Kohei Onozaki	Health Policy Advisor, Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare; Social Security Team, Administrative Reform Conference, Cabinet Secretariat
Yusuke Tsugawa	Council Member, Advisory Council on Large-scale Demonstration Projects for Prevention and Health Promotion, Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare; Member, Study Group on the Review of Guidelines for the Appropriate Implementation of Online Medical Care, Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare
Ryozo Nagai	Member, Ministry of Health, Labour, and Welfare Social Security Council; Provisional Member, Council for Science and Technology, Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology; Member, Cabinet Office's AI Advisory Board
Satoko Hotta	Member, Caregiver Fee Subcommittee and Welfare Division, Social Security Council, Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare; Expert Committee Member, Policy Evaluation Council, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

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