



50th Anniversary of Universal Health Insurance A Bipartisan Congressional Briefing An Expert-Led Japan-U.S. Health Policy Project

"Congressional Briefing" Program

■ Date: Friday, February 25, 2011

■ Time: 12:00-13:30

■ Location: Special Conference Room, Members' Office Building of the House of Councillors 1st floor

■ Program *Simultaneous interpretation available

TIME	PROGRAM
12:00-12:10	[Opening Remarks] ·Kiyoshi Kurokawa (Chairman, Health and Global Policy Institute) ·J. Stephen Morrison (Senior Vice President of CSIS and Director of the Global Health Policy Center)
12:10-12:20	"Sustainability & Efficiency "Healthcare Streamlining and Payment Systems" Naoki Ikegami (Professor, Department of Health Policy & Management, Keio University) Gerard F. Anderson (Professor, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health) Nobody disputes the need to streamline healthcare, but there are significant differences between improving efficiency in hospitals and in society as a whole. For inpatient care, payment is comprehensive rather than results-based, which helps with hospital management but leaves a great deal to be determined in how society will manage the issue. This problem will be investigated through a comparative study of Japan and the U.S.
12:20-12:45	 [Roundtable Discussion] Bipartisan members of both Houses and experts from Japan and the U.S. Ryoji Noritake (Manager, Health and Global Policy Institute) [Moderator]
12:45-12:50	【Thematic Address】 "Healthcare IT, Promotion of Efficiency, and Improving Medical Safety" ·John D. Halamka (Co-Chair of the Health IT Standards Committee in the Obama Administration) A brief introduction of the current state of healthcare IT in the U.S., its effectiveness in improving medical safety, and its potential role as an economic stimulus.
12:50-13:15	【Roundtable Discussion】·Bipartisan members of both Houses and experts from Japan and the U.S.·Ryoji Noritake (Manager, Health and Global Policy Institute) [Moderator]
13:15-13:30	[Summary & Closing Remarks] ·Kiyoshi Kurokawa (Chairman, Health and Global Policy Institute)





Experts from Japan and the U.S.

PROFILE



Ryozo Nagai (Professor, The University of of Medicine and Faculty of Medicine, Department of Cardiovascular Medicine)

Dr. Nagai graduated from The University of Tokyo's , where he has served since 1999 as Professor of Cardiovascular Medicine. He also served as Vice Director of The University of Tokyo Hospital from 2001, and as Director from 2003 to 2007. He sits on several government committees, including serving as Chair of the Organ Transplant Subcommittee of the Health Sciences Council Committee on Disease Control, Chair of the Pharmaceutical Affairs and Food Sanitation Council, and member of the Health Sciences Council Committee on Science and Technology.



Brian Biles (Professor, George Washington University)

Dr. Biles is Professor of Health Policy and Health Services Management at George Washington University, and his research focuses on such areas as healthcare reform, Medicare, and managed care. Previously, he served as Deputy Assistant Secretary for Health in the Clinton Administration, and as senior staff to Congressional committees overseeing health policy. For seven years, he was staff director of the and Means Subcommittee on Health, supervising the drafting of major Medicare and healthcare finance legislation. He also managed Maryland's state health program.



Naoki Ikegami (Professor, Department of Health Policy & Management, Keio University)

Dr. Ikegami received his MD and PhD from the School of Medicine at Keio University. His previous posts have included Professor at 's Faculty of Policy Management, and Visiting Professor at the University of Pennsylvania.

Chairman, Investigative Specialist Sub-committee on Case-mix Based Reimbursement for Chronic Inpatient Care, Central Social Insurance Medical Council. Member, Investigative Specialist Sub-committee on DPC Evaluation, Central Social Insurance Medical Council. President, Japan Society for Healthcare Administration. President, Japan Health Economics Association. Consultant to the WHO and the World Bank.



Gerard F. Anderson (Professor, Johns Hopkins University)

Dr. Anderson is Professor of Health Policy and Management and Director of the Johns Hopkins Center for Hospital Finance and Management. Previously, in the Office of the Secretary of the US Department of Health and Human Services, he was an architect of the Medicare Prospective Payment System. Joining in 1983, he has researched chronic conditions, comparative insurance systems, medical education, healthcare payment reform, and technology diffusion. He has also directed reviews of healthcare systems in numerous countries for the World Bank, World Health Organization, and USAID.



Masanori Akiyama (Professor, Todai Policy Alternatives Research Institute, The University of Tokyo)

Dr. Akiyama specializes in medical informatics, healthcare economics and management engineering, and medical safety management, and as a GS1 Healthcare member he works on global standards and solutions for bar coding and radio-frequency identification tags. Since 2008, he has been the Japanese government's representative to the World Health Organization's World Alliance for Patient Safety Core Group. His previous posts include that of visiting professor at the MIT Sloan School of Management.



John D. Halamka (Co-Chair of the HIT Standards Committee in the Obama Administration)

Dr. Halamka serves as Chief Information Officer of , Chairman of the New England Healthcare Exchange Network, and Co-Chair of the Healthcare IT (HIT) Standards Committee in the Obama Administration. On the HIT Standards Committee, he facilitates the process of electronic standards harmonization among stakeholders nationwide.