

## Progress report 2024

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#### ■ Organization

Japan is facing the aging tsunami with rapidly increasing numbers of frail older people, who require home care under the community-based integrated care system. Our goals are to create the evidence of home care medicine and to raise excellent home care physicians who are research-minded, able to deliver high quality patient care and lead the comprehensive community-support network as effective team members.

#### ■ Education

We teach home care medicine to medical students and trainee doctors collaborating with physicians, nurses, social workers and care managers in the community.

#### ■ Research

We study the current states of home care medicine and ways of improving them.

- We conduct a case registration study of patients receiving home care medicine to elucidate their current situation and the problems that need to be solved.
- We study the way of safe medication therapy in home care patients.
- We conduct research on ensuring the safety of home care patients in disasters.
- We continue the education of home care medicine for medical students and trainee doctors, and verify the effects of practical training. We attempt to establish more effective educational programs.
- We conduct research on falls among older adults receiving home care medicine.

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