Information on the use of Assistive Devices (wheelchairs, canes, etc.)

If you need assistive devices such as a wheelchair or cane due to your age, disability, injury or illness, support systems are available depending on your physical condition / situation.
The following is a list of some systems and consultation services.

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1. For those who are certified as requiring Long-term Care Insurance (LTCI)or certified as in need of support

[Main systems]

- You can borrow or purchase assistive devices by LTCI
- Items covered by LTCI: wheelchairs, walkers, canes, handrails, etc.

[Copayment amount]

- 10% of the device (in some cases, 20-30% depending on your income)

[Contact]

- Your Care Manager
- Community General Support Center

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2. For those who are disability certified (Physical Disability Recordbook holders, etc.)

[Main systems]

- Assistive Medical Devices Benefits (wheelchair, walking aids, prosthetic legs, etc.)
- Independent Living Support Benefits (training equipment, etc.)

[Copayment amount]

- 10% of the device (reduction or exemption may apply depending on your income bracket)

[Contact]

- Disability Welfare Division (welfare for persons with disabilities) at the municipality where you live

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3. For those who need assistive devices temporary due to injury or illness

[How to use]

- Purchase or rental of assistive devices at your own expense
- Some medical institutions and municipalities may offer some support suchas short-term rental of assistive devices

[Contact]

- Assistive Devices Retailers (with assistive device specialists on staff)
- Council of Social Welfare (available in each municipality)

Requests for consultation

- If you wish to use the applicable system, you may need to apply in advance and/or obtain a letter from your doctor.
- We would be happy to introduce you to the most suitable system based on your situation. Please feel free to contact us.

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