

Translation

Chugai to Receive a Letter of Appreciation from the Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare for Our Activities to Support the Victims of the Great East Japan Earthquake

March 14, 2013 - Chugai Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. [Head Office: Chuo-ku, Tokyo; Chairman & CEO: Osamu Nagayama] (hereinafter “Chugai”) announced today that the company will receive a letter of appreciation from the Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare for its program to donate “specially-equipped para-transit vehicles,” which is a part of Chugai’s social contribution programs, as the activities to support the victims of the Great East Japan Earthquake.

This donation was started as part of Chugai’s 60th anniversary program in 1985, donating vehicles to be used for transportation of elderly persons and physically disabled individuals who receive long-term nursing care at home. Chugai donated a total of 193 vehicles by the end of 2012. Recipients have been selected from all prefectures in Japan, in cooperation with the Japan National Council of Social Welfare and Central Community Chest of Japan.

This letter of appreciation was given to Chugai for its donation of the “specially-equipped para-transit vehicles” to the following six organizations in 2011 and 2012, those selected by taking into account the high needs in the prefectures affected by the earthquake.

<Donation recipient in 2011>

- Ookumamachi Council of Social Welfare, Fukushima Prefecture

<Donation recipients in 2012>

- Aomori City Council of Social Welfare, Aomori Prefecture
- Ninohe City Council of Social Welfare, Iwate Prefecture
- Minamisanrikucho Council of Social Welfare, Miyagi Prefecture
- Yuaikai Koyoaiseien, Fukushima Prefecture
- Ryugasaki City Council of Social Welfare, Ibaraki Prefecture

<Specially-equipped para-transit vehicle donated>



Chugai will continue to work on activities to support restoration and recovery of the affected areas.

We extend our sincere condolences to all the victims of the Great East Japan Earthquake and we deeply hope for the early reconstruction of the affected areas.

[Reference]

Chugai's major activities to support the affected areas

○Fundraising and Donations

Chugai donated 100 million yen for relief operations through the Japanese Red Cross Society. In addition, Chugai Group companies held a fundraising drive, and the officers of Chugai and employees of the Chugai Group raised a total of 25.9 million yen, which was donated through the Japanese Red Cross Society.

○Donations of “Tamiflu®”

With signs of influenza infection reported at refuge centers, Chugai donated approximately 60,000 treatment courses of stockpiled anti-influenza agent “Tamiflu® Capsule 75” in light of the urgent need for medication. The donations were provided mainly to the prefectures in the affected areas.

○Support for Psychological Care for Children

The Chugai Group participated in the “Roche Children’s Walk,” a global charity event sponsored by Roche to assist children in need. Part of the donations raised by the matching-gift form was donated to Ashinaga Ikuei Kai in 2011 and 2012 for the construction of “Tohoku Rainbow House,” a facility for providing psychological and other support to orphans of the Great East Japan Earthquake.

○Participation in the Children’s Mini Library Project

The Chugai Group donated 100 copies of a children’s science picture book, “Detective Ai-chan

Gets to Know a “Cell” Doctor,” for a project by the Japan Committee for UNICEF. The aim of the project is to deliver “picture books” and “smiles” to children living in evacuation centers.

○Volunteer Activities to Assist in the Recovery

The CHUGAI Wellnet Club, which was established for the purpose of improving the welfare of Chugai Group employees, is working to assist in the recovery of the affected areas by providing the Group employees with opportunities to participate in the ongoing support for rebuilding the long-standing aquaculture industry of the Karakuwa Fisheries Cooperative in Kesenuma City, Miyagi Prefecture, as volunteers.

○Support of “Wa-Wa” Project

The Chugai Group supports the “Wa-Wa project^{*1}” in producing and publishing “Wa-Wa newspaper,” a community newspaper for the people who are living in the temporary housing/shelters in the affected areas. Chugai also held a sales campaign in the office to provide opportunity for the employees to purchase daily products, accessories, etc. made by the people in the affected areas.

○Support of “IPPO IPPO NIPPON” Project

Chugai agrees with the purpose of the [“IPPO IPPO NIPPON Project^{*2},”](#) a project launched by the Keizai Doyukai (Japan Association of Corporate Executives) throughout the country to provide medium- to long-term support for reconstruction in areas devastated by the Great East Japan Earthquake, and supports the project.

*1 Wa-Wa project:

It is a project which is operated by command N, a non-profit artist-run organization, and established to bond and support people who are involved in various activities in the affected areas and who support them.

*2 IPPO IPPO NIPPON Project:

It is a platform that allocates the donations from companies and individuals in a reliable and timely manner by carefully planning the activities by each term by listening to the needs of the affected areas, with the aim of developing human resources and revitalizing industry in the affected areas.

The details of Chugai’s activities to support the affected areas and the program to donate the specially-equipped para-transit vehicles are posted on the company’s website (<http://www.chugai-pharm.co.jp/english>).