



Contribution of Para-transit Vehicles to Welfare Services

TOKYO, September 24, 2015 -- Chugai Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. [Head office: Chuo-ku, Tokyo; Chairman & CEO: Osamu Nagayama] (Chugai) (TOKTO: 4519) announced today to donate “specially-equipped para-transit vehicles” to five organizations providing welfare services to senior citizens and disabled people throughout Japan.

Chugai has continued this donation since it was started as a part of Chugai’s 60th anniversary in 1985, giving out vehicles that are used as a means of transport by elderly persons and physically disabled individuals who receive long-term nursing care at home. This is the 31st year since we started donation, and the total number of vehicles has achieved 238 including annual donation of five wagon-type service cars in this year as well as special donation of 30 compact-type service cars for 90th anniversary commemorative projects in this June to July. Donation recipients have been selected from all the prefectures in Japan, in cooperation with Japan National Council of Social Welfare and Central Community Chest of Japan.

With the super-aged society and the advancement of healthcare technology, the number of senior citizens and disabled people requiring nursing care at home has been increasing every year. For these people to lead self-reliant lives with peace of mind in a familiar environment, a variety of in-home welfare services, including day services and day care, are being provided at various facilities. The specially-equipped para-transit vehicles which Chugai provides are used as a means of transportation between their homes and these facilities.

The vehicle donated by Chugai is a wagon-type van with a front seat capacity of two passengers (including a driver) and a rear seat capacity of up to four wheelchair passengers. Moreover, the vehicle is a type which allows loading of a stretcher with platform trucks, in addition to two wheelchairs. This facilitates loading and unloading of wheelchair passengers by a lift. In addition, the vehicle has two fixed seats and three foldable seats for caregivers’ use.

Chugai is committed to actively promoting social contribution programs in the fields of healthcare and welfare through these activities, as well as providing innovative pharmaceuticals as a business related to life.

Organizations Receiving Para-Transit Vehicle Donations in 2015

Tokyo	Social Welfare Corporation Mokubakai
Ishikawa Prefecture	Social Welfare Corporation Kihoukai
Nara Prefecture	Social Welfare Corporation Keifukai
Tokushima Prefecture	Katsuura Town Council of Social Welfare
Nagasaki Prefecture	Social Welfare Corporation Sayurikai



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