

## Information about the Fukushima Health Management Survey

Fukushima Prefecture  
Fukushima Medical University

The nuclear accident that accompanied the recent earthquake and tsunami has caused great suffering, hardship, and anxiety to the residents of Fukushima Prefecture. The Fukushima Prefectural Government is therefore conducting the 'The Fukushima Health Survey' to alleviate residents' concerns about radiation and to facilitate suitable healthcare in the future.

Please note that participation in the survey is voluntary, and that you will not be disadvantaged in any way if you decide not to participate.

### 1. Survey objectives

The survey results will be used to estimate individual radiation exposure levels in the 4-month period from the nuclear accident at Tokyo Electric Power Company's Fukushima No. 1 Nuclear Power Plant on March 11, 2011 until July 11, 2011. These estimates will be used as basic data in health exams scheduled to be conducted on former residents of evacuated areas etc., as well as in future long-term health care.

### 2. Survey population

The survey is targeting people who were living, or were present, in Fukushima Prefecture on March 11, 2011.

### 3. Survey method

- The survey will be conducted in the form of a self-report questionnaire.
- Please fill out and return your questionnaire form within approximately 2 weeks of receipt.
- If you cannot recollect certain dates clearly, please simply answer to the best of your ability.
- You may be asked to confirm your responses at a later date.
- Respondents under 20 years of age must obtain the consent of a legal guardian before completing the questionnaire form. Children of elementary school age or younger must have their questionnaire form completed by a legal guardian.

### 4. Handling of the survey results

Collected questionnaires will be securely stored under lock and key.

All survey data will be statistically processed to avoid revealing the identity or responses of individual respondents.

Individual estimates of radiation exposure will be reported to each respondent after the survey has been completed.

### Queries (Japanese only)

For general questions about this survey, please contact:

Residents Health Care Team, Support Group,  
Fukushima Prefecture Disaster Response Headquarters  
Tel: 024-521-8028 (08:30–19:00)

For questions on how to fill out the questionnaire form, please contact:

Fukushima Health Management Survey Office, Radiation Medical Science Center  
for the Fukushima health management survey, Fukushima Medical University  
Tel: 024-549-5130 (09:00–17:00)