

H.C.R. 2005 Report on the 32nd Int. Home Care & Rehabilitation Exhibition 2005

■ Opening Ceremony

The curtains of the 32nd Int. Home Care & Rehabilitation Exhibition 2005, 3-day exhibition opened with greetings by Ritsuko Nagao, Chairperson of the Japan National Council of Social Welfare in front of an audience of visitors, sponsors, co-sponsor organizations and exhibitors. The exhibition was opened after the decorative ball was opened (by Mr. Christian Carstensen, H.C.R. Coordinator - Europe, Mr. Akira Suetsugu, President and Mr. Chikashi Matsuju, Executive Director, both of the Health and Welfare Information Association).

Date: Tuesday, September 27, 2005
Time: 9:50 am
Place: In front of East Hall 2

■ 630 Exhibitors From 16 Countries and 1 Territory

There were 562 Japanese companies and related groups (of which 103 were first time exhibitors) and 68 overseas companies from 15 countries and 1 territory that exhibited.

Country	Number of Exhibitors	Country	Number of Exhibitors
Japan	562	Netherlands	4
Australia	1	Norway	3
Canada	3	Spain	2
China	1	Sweden	9
Denmark	12	Switzerland	2
Finland	2	Taiwan	1
France	3	U.K.	4
Germany	7	U.S.	13
Mexico	1		

A total area of 50,000 m² (equivalent to the size of 6 baseball fields) was utilized for our comprehensive exhibition with more than 25,000 home care and rehabilitation equipment on display.

■ Reception Party for Exhibitors & Other Guests

A reception party was held with more than 400 exhibitors, sponsors, co-sponsor organizations and other guests in attendance. Following the Organizer's greetings by Mr. Akira Suetsugu, President of the Health and Welfare Information Association, a congratulatory speech was given by Mr. Hiroki Nakaya, Director-General of the Department of Health and Welfare for Persons with Disabilities of the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare.

Appreciation awards and commemorative gifts were presented by the Organizer to companies and related groups that have participated in our Int. Home Care & Rehabilitation Exhibitions 15 times. At H.C.R. 2005, the following 3 overseas companies and 10 Japanese companies/related groups were presented with awards:

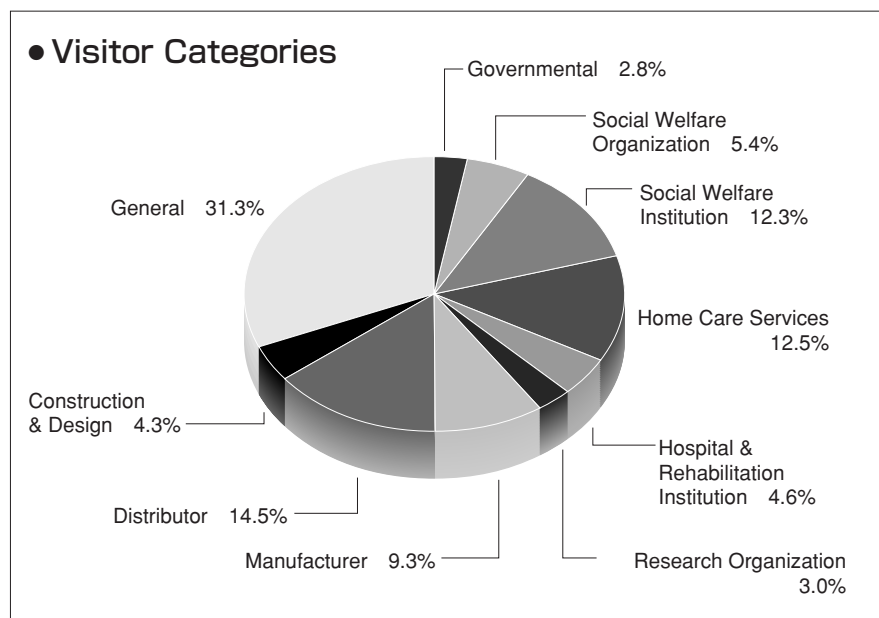
- Goldmann (Denmark)
- Pressalit Care A/S (Denmark)
- Dycem Limited (U.K.)
- I·M·G Hospital Supply Co., Ltd.
- APRICA KASSAI INC
- JTR Corporation
- SEIKO MEDICAL INDUSTRIES CO.,LTD
- SEKISUI CHEMICAL CO., LTD.
- The Association for Technical Aids
- Hitachi, Ltd
- FOR LIFE MEDICAL INC.
- YAMAHA MOTOR CO.,LTD.
- LAC HEALTHCARE LTD.



■ More Than 135,000 Visitors

The 32nd Int. Home Care & Rehabilitation Exhibition 2005 drew a crowd of 135,825 visitors.

Date	Number of Visitors	Weather	Total Number of Visitors
Sept. 27 (Tues)	39,884	Cloudy	—
Sept. 28 (Wed)	48,908	Cloudy	88,792
Sept. 29 (Thurs)	47,033	Sunny	135,825



■ Exhibition Products

The numbers of exhibitors for H.C.R. 2005 by product category included many care prevention equipment and related products, such as muscular strength training machines, physical function training machines and oral care products that have gained wide attention due to the revisions to the Long-term Care Insurance System.

MOBILITY EQUIPMENT	(No. of Co's)	COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT	(No. of Co's)
1 Wheelchairs (manual)	75	45 Hearing aids	5
2 Wheelchair related goods	78	46 Emergency/wandering systems	15
3 Powered wheelchairs	41	47 Word processors, computers & Braille printers for physically challenged	9
4 Powered 3- and 4-wheeled scooters	14	48 Operating aids for disabled to input data	5
5 Bicycles	3	49 Software for physically challenged	9
6 Wheelchairs (attendant pushed)	19	50 Letter enlargement equipment for reading	4
7 Walkers/walking aids	53	51 Special telephones, faxes & portable talking aids	6
8 Canes	38	52 Support systems for blind	9
9 Stretchers	6	53 Other related communication equipment	14
10 Patient transfer aids	19	CONSTRUCTION / HOME EQUIPMENT	
11 Floor lifts	17	54 Slopes/ramps	28
12 Ceiling/fixed lifts	14	55 Rails	36
13 Car operating equipment for disabled	8	56 Elevators	5
14 Cars for wheelchair users & others	21	57 Platform lifts	28
15 Mobile baths	3	58 Stair climbers/stair lifts	18
16 Other related mobility equipment	26	59 Other related construction / home equipment	44
BED RELATED		REHABILITATION EQUIPMENT	
17 Beds	29	60 Rehabilitation equipment for walking	14
18 Mattresses, Pressure sore prevention products	71	61 Training materials, devices & equipment for rehabilitation	26
19 Side tables	12	ARTIFICIAL LIMBS & ORTHOPEDIC PRODUCTS	
20 Care related sheets	26	62 Artificial limbs & orthopedic products	15
21 Other bed related equipment	23	CASUALTY PREVENTION PRODUCTS	
BATHING EQUIPMENT		63 Casualty prevention products for elderly & physically challenged	9
22 Bathtubs	26	EQUIPMENT & RELATED PRODUCTS FOR INSTITUTIONS	
23 Bathing chairs	40	64 Floor and wall materials for institutions	3
24 Anti-slip products	17	65 Washing/drying machines	9
25 Bath boards	18	66 Sterilizing, deodorizing & air cleaning equipment	14
26 Bathing lifts	16	67 Care workers uniforms	5
27 Other bathing related equipment	25	68 Other related equipment & products for institutions	13
TOILET/DIAPER RELATED		MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS FOR HOME CARE AND INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES	
28 Portable toilets	26	69 Home care & rehabilitation related computer systems	37
29 Toilets/toilet seats	15	CARE PREVENTION PRODUCTS	
30 Deodorizers & germicides	16	70 Body function training equipment, muscular strength training machines	39
31 Toilet related	38	71 Oral care related products	13
32 Diapers	26	DAILY LIVING AIDS	
33 Chairs, positioning, lifting chairs	45		
34 Tables	15		
35 Furniture	16		
36 Washbasins	8		
37 Eating utensils/table ware	28		
38 Kitchen	11		
39 Cooking aids	7		
40 Clothing	32		
41 Shoes	31		
42 Clothes changing aids	5		
43 Care products	44		
44 Other related daily living aids	37		

■ International Symposium: "The Direction of Rehabilitation for the Elderly" on 3 Countries

The H.C.R. 2005 International Symposium, "The Direction of Rehabilitation for the Elderly" was successfully held at full capacity. Guest speakers were invited from 3 European countries: Germany, the Netherlands and Denmark who presented the current rehabilitation situation of the elderly and related issues of their respective countries.



After the presentations, Mr. Shigenobu Ishigami, Deputy Chairman of The Japanese Association of Rehabilitation Medicine hosted a discussion to deepen the understanding of the role of rehabilitation in the medical, care and social welfare fields based on questions received from the audience.

Presentation Details

Netherlands:

Percentage of elderly population and population of labor force, overview of the health care system, financial aspects and cost management, summary of rehabilitation services, rehabilitation specialists and future challenges

Germany:

Age and care certification proportions, general outline of geriatric medical rehabilitation, training for OT's and PT's, problems related to long-term care, markers of frailty and case studies in treatment

Denmark:

Overview of health care sectors, rehabilitation professions, responsibilities of municipalities in regard to rehabilitation, summarization of rehabilitation for the elderly, challenges, education and training of therapists

Guest Speakers:

- Dr. Luc P. de Witte (iRv, institute for rehabilitation research, Netherlands)
- Dr. med. Martin Runge (Medical Director of Aerpah-Clinics Esslingen and Ilshofen, Germany)
- Mr. Gunner Gamborg (President, The Danish Association of Occupational Therapists, Denmark)

Host: Mr. Shigenobu Ishigami (Deputy Chairman, The Japanese Association of Rehabilitation Medicine)

Date: Wednesday, September 28, 2005 from 1:00 to 3:30 pm

Place: Tokyo Big Sight (Tokyo International Exhibition Center)

Number of Participants: 925 persons



Dr. Luc P. de Witte



Dr. med. Martin Runge



Mr. Gunner Gamborg



Mr. Shigenobu Ishigami

● Children's Square

A new area, "Children's Square" was set up as a special event, where a comprehensive range of wheelchairs, aids for daily living, as well as products for training and communication equipment for children were on exhibit for children to try out products with their parents' assistance.



In conjunction, a consultation area was also provided within the square where free consultation was available, as well as information on supporting parental care.

Dates: Tuesday, September 27 to Thursday, September 29, 2005

Place: Children's Square, between East Hall 4 & 5

Details:

1. Home Care and Rehabilitation Equipment Displayed for Children: Training & Communication Equipment, Wheelchairs, Buggies/Walking Aids, Eating Utensils, Shoes, Chairs/Car Seats, and others
2. Consultation on Children Having Physical Challenges: Consultation on Home Care and Rehabilitation Equipment, Child Raising from a Medical Point of View and Education
3. Play Area

■ Special Course: Meals for the Elderly

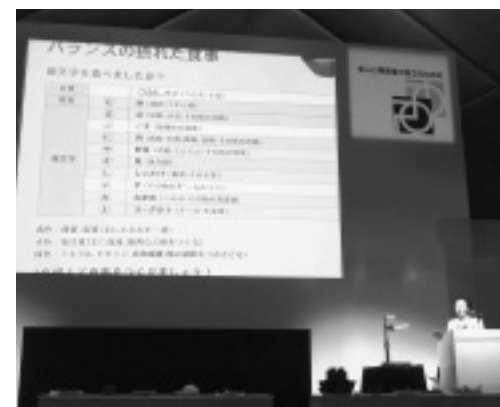
A special course was held on “meals” that bring joy and richness to everyday living. A master chef of a five-star hotel presented a program on the theme “Delicious, Easy to Prepare, Delightful Meals” to introduce menus for a breakfast, lunch and dinner, the recipes and pointers on cooking such meals. In addition, a nutritionist also gave advice for persons who had diabetes or high blood pressure.

Date: Tuesday, September 27, 2005

Time: 11:00 am to 12:00 noon

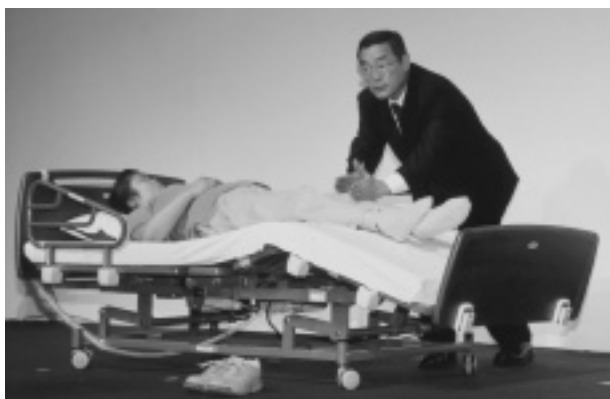
Place: Reception Hall, Conference Tower, 1F, Tokyo Big Sight

Attendance: 465 persons



■ 3,000 Participants at Special Seminars: How to Select and Use Home Care & Rehabilitation Equipment

Last year the seminar on “How to Select and Use Home Care & Rehabilitation Equipment” was held once again. Specialists provided easy-to-understand explanations on 8 themes regarding home care and rehabilitation equipment for users and their families, staff of social welfare facilities, care related specialists such as care managers, and home care services providers. Each seminar drew a great deal of attention from visitors and we had a total of 3,037 persons in attendance.



Date	Time	Topic
Sept. 27 (Tue)	1:00 - 2:00 pm	Beds “How to select beds and basic knowledge on usage”
	3:00 - 4:00 pm	Car related aids “How to select car related aids and how to use them”
Sept. 28 (Wed)	11:00 - 12:00 pm	Bathing “How to select bathing equipment and basic knowledge on usage”
	1:00 - 2:00 pm	Toilet, Diapers and Excretion “How to select toilets/excretion related products and how to use them”
	3:00 - 4:00 pm	Home Renovation “Basic know how on how to do home renovations”
Sept. 29 (Thurs)	11:00 - 12:00 pm	Communication equipment “How to select communication equipment”
	1:00 - 2:00 pm	Wheelchairs “How to select a suitable wheelchair for yourself and usage basics”
	3:00 - 4:00 pm	Aids for daily living “How to select aids for daily living and basics on usage”

◎ Consultation Corners for Home Care & Rehabilitation Equipment, Home Renovation, and Rehabilitation

A new Home Renovation Consultation Corner was also established at the 2005 event, in addition to the Home Care & Rehabilitation Equipment Consultation and the Rehabilitation Consultation Corners that were also provided at the 2004 exhibition.

Additionally, a first aid room was set up with the cooperation of the Japanese Red Cross who were on staff in case of emergencies such as illness or injury of visitors.



Dates: September 27 - 29, 2005

Place: East Hall Exhibition Area, Tokyo Big Sight

Participation: No appointment necessary

Consultation Fee: No charges

Consultation Topics:

- Usage of Home Care and Rehabilitation Equipment - East Hall 1
- Rehabilitation - East Hall 5
- Home Renovation - East Hall 4

Workshop and Company Seminars

Exhibitors and related organizations held training seminars, introduced their products, and so forth by holding 61 workshops and company seminars (59 programs for 2004) on home care and rehabilitation equipment. The total number of participants for both programs was 3,214 persons: 1,832 persons for the 34 workshops and 1,382 persons for the 34 company seminars. At H.C.R. 2004 we had a total of 2,972 persons.



Workshops Held

Date	Time	Workshop A (East Hall 2)	Workshop B (East Hall 5)	Workshop C (East Hall 3)
Sept. 27 (Tue)	11:30 am - 12:30 pm	MOONSTAR CHEMICAL CORPORATION Shoes, Walking and Health	The ROHO Group (U. S. A.) Selecting Cushions from the Viewpoint of Pressure Sore Prevention and Positioning	NEPIA TENDER CO.,LTD. Presentations on Care by Ms. Yumiko Araki and Ms. Kiyoko Hamada
	1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	HAPPY OGAWA CORPORATION "Happy Soyokaze" — Comfortable Mattress for Pressure Sore Prevention Receiving World Attention	FINE CO.,LTD "Emotional Care" for Care Givers — Based on Ideas for Spiritual Care	System Wave Care Facilities Approach to the Revised Long-term Care Insurance
	3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	ACCESS INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION Seating to Prevent Physically Challenged Children From Becoming Deformed	FALF INC Preventive Measures and Defense Against Infectious Diseases	NAKAYAMA SANGYO CO.,Ltd. "Individualized" Dignified Bathing — High Quality, Comfortable Environment for Bathing
Sept. 28 (Wed)	11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Abilities Care-Net Incorporated Proposal for a Care Prevention Program for Day Services	LCNET Corporation "Raku ni Net," Home Care Business Processing System ASP With Sophisticated Functions and High Security	Lupinus Co.,Ltd. Introduction of a Good Tasting Mouth Wash "Kirara Dental Rinse"
	1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Ito-Pharmacy Corporation A Method to Analyze Body Functions & Actions by Using a Care Record & Evaluation System	Permobil K.K. Permobil's Powered Wheelchairs with Advanced Features Supports Life	Clean Care Products Co., Ltd. Safe, Clean, Easy and Comfortable Aspirator for Home Use
	3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	REMLOCK CO., LTD. Introduction of "Remlock" — Automatic System to Open and Close Sliding or Swinging Doors	DOUBLE Research & Development CO.,LTD. PC Freedom for Anyone, Anywhere at Anytime	ELIA Co.,Ltd. Personal Care Record System That is in Demand
Sept. 29 (Thurs)	11:30 am - 12:30 pm	PARKER CORPORATION Functions of Low-Floor (19 cm) 4 Motor Tilt Bed and Cutting Edge Home Care and Rehabilitation Equipment from Northern Europe	ARJO INTERNATIONAL AG (Switzerland) New Approach to Dementia and Snoezelen	JAPAN ORTHOTICS AND PROSTHETICS ASSOCIATION Introduction of the Japan Orthotics and Prosthetics Association and Recent Trends in Prosthetic Limbs and Orthotic Equipment
	1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	SECOM CO., LTD. Proposal for a Transfer Support by Using a Secom Lift and Case Studies on Using an Eating Support Robot	YAMASHITA CORPORATION Improvement in the Quality of Home Care and Rehabilitation Equipment Rental Services	Carrots System Improvement of Operational Efficiency by Using Helper Administration and Payroll Accounting Software
	3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	ADVANFIT INC. Introduction of a Lifting Chair and a Powered Wheelchair with Omnidirectional Functions, "Rakunori-kun"	PARAMOUNT BED CO.,LTD. Introduction of a New Product, "Rakusho" Independence Promotion Series — From Monitoring to Fitting	ELK CORPORATION Building Muscular Strength and Improving Balance by Using Oscillation Stimulation Training Equipment to Prevent the Elderly From Falling

Company Seminars Held September 27, 2005

e-AT Association Technology to Support Home Care and Rehabilitation Equipment and Home Care — Information Technology Coordinators
LAC HEALTHCARE LTD. Lower Back Pain Prevention of Care Givers
PAMUK.CO.LTD Seating Seminar Presented by Mr. Mamoru Kashima (PT)
Playcare Center Play Activities "Playcare" to Prevent Care
SWANY CORPORATION Walkin'Bag (Suitcase) and Walkin'Chair (Wheelchair/Walker)
T&K CO.,LTD. Oral Care 2 for People Who Require Care (with Demonstrations)
TOKUTAKE INDUSTRY CO., LTD. "What! Indoor Shoes with Insoles?" Proposal by Ayumi Shoes



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ACCESS INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION Treatment of Pressure Sores by Using Wheelchairs. Appropriate Seating to Prevent Pressure Sores and the Recurrence
FRANCE BED MEDICAL SERVICE CO.,LTD. Award ceremony for the 2005 Home Care and Rehabilitation Equipment Contest
HAPPY OGAWA CORPORATION "Happy Soyokaze," Mattress for Pressure Sore Prevention
MARUBENI CORPORATION Oral Care for Oral Functional Improvement in Care Prevention
Nagano Prefecture Forestry Department Local Timber Promotion Division "Forrest Breeze," Desks and Chairs for Schools for the Disabled Children in Nagano
Nippon Telesoft Co., Ltd. Introduction of Home Care and Rehabilitation Equipment for the Visually Impaired
PAMUK.CO.LTD Let's Try! Introducing a Modular Wheelchair
PARAMOUNT BED CO.,LTD. "Rakusho," Independence Promotion Series — Introduction of a New Product & Background on the Development
PARKER CORPORATION Current Situation of Wheelchair Safety in Japan (Considering the Current Situation of Advanced Countries in Social Welfare Such as Northern Europe)
PRODUCE & PUBLISH Inc Demonstration on How to Keep a Room Disinfected and Deodorized Without Odors Even When Changing Diapers
SILVER INDUSTRY NEWS CO., LTD Analysis of the Revised Long-Term Care Insurance System
System Wave How to Improve Customer Satisfaction at Facilities
System Wave "Protection of Personal Information" in Social Welfare and Care Facilities
T&K CO.,LTD. "Is Your Mouth Dry?" Oral Care for People with Dry Mouth

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ACCESS INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION Benefiting From Standing Equipment to Have People That Cannot Stand to be in a Standing Position
fairberish corporation Specially Made Products That Began From Love of Family — Necessity and Importance of Shoes in Rehabilitation
HAPPY OGAWA CORPORATION Comfortable Mattress for Pressure Sore Prevention, "Happy Soyokaze" & Positioning Aid "Happy Raku Pad"
HIMAWARI Co., Ltd. Walking Sticks That Give the Elderly Joy in Selecting and Enjoyment in Going Out
JAPAN HEARING INSTRUMENTS MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION The Current Situation of the Supply of Hearing Aids and the Market
Panthera Japan Inc. Sweden's Latest Trend in Wheelchairs — Wheelchair Environment Changed by Users
PARAMOUNT BED CO.,LTD. Introduction of a "Monitoring Record" and "Online Operations History"
Permobil K.K. Role of Home Care and Rehabilitation Equipment in Sweden — The Real Reasons Why Sweden is Called a Country of Social Welfare
System Wave Interactive Communication Between Users and Caregivers
System Wave The Basics About the Personal Information Protection Law
T&K CO.,LTD. Oral Care at Home
T&K CO.,LTD. Oral Care for the Elderly with Dementia
Vermund Larsen A/S (Denmark) Proposal for an Active Lifestyle With Seating