



JIMTEF's Pledge

Join us in providing essential capabilities to countries still suffering from infectious diseases and disasters ↗



What is JIMTEF?

Founded in 1987, JIMTEF is an international medical cooperation NGO and disaster medical assistance organization that is 100% dedicated to serving public interest with no for-profit activities.

The world today remains plagued by problems such as new viral and bacterial infections, natural disasters, climate change, poverty, conflict, hunger, and narcotics, and many people still lack access to adequate medical services.

The Japan International Medical Technology Foundation (JIMTEF), an international cooperation NGO and disaster medical assistance organization, aims to improve this situation by working to train medical technicians and improving medical services, both of which are essential for resolving issues in the healthcare sector.

● Medical technology support to developing countries!

JIMTEF operates technical training programs and invites medical technicians from developing countries to come to Japan as trainees.

Trainees overcome differences in culture and customs and acquire the skills and knowledge they need to improve the healthcare environment in their home countries. Furthermore, mutual understanding is fostered through interaction between trainees and their instructors as well as members of the local community.

Upon completing their respective training programs and returning to their home countries, trainees strive to implement and disseminate the skills and knowledge they acquired in Japan. To date, **1248 foreign trainees** across **17 medical fields** have completed our training programs and are active in **107 countries and regions**.

● Support for new viral and bacterial infection control!

Controlling the spread of infectious diseases such as COVID-19 is a global issue of paramount importance. Throughout the 38 years since our establishment to the present, our primary training program has focused on clinical laboratory techniques essential for the diagnosis of infectious diseases. To date, **471 trainees** from **89 countries**, including clinical laboratory technicians and physicians, have graduated from this course.

● Disaster medicine personnel training across Japan!

Meanwhile, in the field of disaster medicine, we launched a disaster medicine training course in November 2011 to train disaster medicine personnel, drawing on lessons learned from the great earthquake that occurred on January 17, 1995, and the massive earthquake and tsunami that struck on March 11, 2011. To date, **3973 medical professionals** across **25 occupations** have completed our disaster medicine training.

To transform the despair of disaster victims and patients into hope, we are working to train medical personnel capable of protecting disaster victims and patients from disasters and infections, and to realize a society in which we can encourage future generations to protect themselves from infections and disasters.



Disaster medicine training in Japan



Medical technology training in Vietnam



JIMTEF Healthcare-Related Professional Organizations Conference

Representatives from Japan's leading healthcare-related professional organizations convene and take steps to facilitate JIMTEF's international cooperation efforts in the field of medical technology, as well as the training of disaster medicine personnel.



- Identifying new needs pertaining to trainee acceptance, expert dispatch, and survey team dispatch
- Dissemination and awareness-raising to promote international cooperation and exchange in medical technology
- Planning and conducting disaster medicine training

Healthcare-related professional organizations that support and work with JIMTEF

Japan Medical Association
Japanese Association of Medical Technologists
Japanese Association of Occupational Therapists
Japan Dental Technologists Association
Japan Association for Clinical Engineers
Japan Acupuncture & Moxibustion Association
The Japanese Academy of Prosthetists and Orthotists
The Japan Association of Certified Care Workers
Japanese Association of Certified Public Psychologists

Japan Dental Association
Japanese Society of Hospital Pharmacists
The Japan Dietetic Association
Japan Judo Therapist Association
All Nippon Acupuncture & Moxibustion Massage Association
Japan Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association
Radiological Technologist Association of International Cooperation
Japanese Association of Social Workers in Health Services

Japan Hospital Association
Japanese Physical Therapy Association
Japanese Association of Certified Orthoptists
Japan Dental Hygienists' Association
Japanese Association of Anma-Massage-Shiatsu Therapists
The Japan Federation of Medical Devices Associations
Japanese Association of Speech-Language-Hearing Therapists
Japanese Society of Certified Clinical Psychologists
(in order of date of affiliation)

Awards

- In October 2000, we received the 52nd Health Culture Award for our widely recognized achievements in international medical cooperation. The award, which was established in 1949, is one of the most prestigious and long-running awards in the Japanese healthcare field.
- In October 2000, we received the Health and Welfare Minister's Commendation.
- In July 2009, we received the Foreign Minister's Commendation.

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