To all students, faculty members, and employees,

Charging of a Medical Examination Fee, etc. in the University Health Center (Announcement)

Currently, emergency medical examination, etc. for students, faculty members, and employees conducted in the University Health Center is completely free of charge, however, the charging of the medical examination fee, etc. will begin from January 2019.

Following the turning of the University of Tsukuba into a national university corporation in 2004, the management expenses grant from the national government has been reduced every year and the budget of the Center is also down 60% in the last 10 years. Until now, we have kept pace by the reduction of the medication cost, however, the present budget comprises a major obstacle to the maintenance of the quality level of the medication examination.

The Center will maintain the quality level of the medical examination by switching to paid service and try to improve the capacity to deal with the needs of mental health and strengthening of a cooperative system on the health administration of employees.

The target of the switch to paid service this time is the medical examination conducted by the Center (medical examination fee, medication cost, doctor's certificate, etc.; student counseling is not included). For the specific medical examination fee, etc. an amount that will not become a burden to users is being looked into and is scheduled to be released in October. We ask for your understanding and cooperation.

Tohru Sakamoto Director University Health Center

Examples of medical examination fees under consideration

Diagnosis and Treatment Department	Diagnosis Fee	Medication Cost	Test Fee	Remarks
Internal Medicine Orthopedics Dentistry	500	300	500	A diagnosis and test will be conducted in the medical examination and the medical examination fee if medication was prescribed = Diagnosis Fee + Medication Cost + Test Fee
Psychiatry	1,000	1,000	500	