

Chapter 2 Situation of Implementation Measures for the Aging Society

Section 1 Fundamental Framework of Measures for the Aging Society

- The basic framework of aged society measure in Japan is based on the Basic Law on Measures for the Aging Society (Law No.129, 1995).
- The Aging Society Policy Council makes the Cabinet prime minister the chairman, all cabinet ministers are appointed by committee members, a proposal for the General Principles Concerning Measures for the Aged Society is created, and mutual coordination between administrative agencies related to aged society measures together with deliberation of important matters concerning aged society measures is promoted along with the implementation of such measures.
- General Principles Concerning Measures for the Aged Society is required to be created by the government based on The Basic Law on Measures for the Aging Society, and becomes a basic and comprehensive guideline over the medium to long term of aged society measures promoted by the government.
- 5 years after the formulation of the first aged society measures outline in July 1996, due to the change in the socioeconomic conditions, The Aging Society Policy Council created a proposal on December 28, 2001, whereupon the General Principles Concerning Measures for the Aged Society was approved by the Cabinet.
- In order to comprehensively promote measures, based on the General Principles Concerning Measures for the Aged Society, related policies are promoted comprehensively by going beyond the framework of basic measures in each field, and by setting issues abstracted in a cross-sectional manner.