

# Applying for the Child-Support Program for Families Raising 3 or more Children

## ■ What the “Ota City Child-Support Program for Families Raising 3 or more Children” provides

This is a system for people ⑦ that provides parents / guardians (living in Ota City① that are raising 3 or more children②③) benefits for their 3<sup>rd</sup> child onward④, which include celebratory money for the birth of their child “*shussan no oiwaikin*”⑤, and exemption from paying childcare fees⑥.

### Conditions and General Information Concerning Program

- ① Residents with an address in Ota City; residents must live for at least 1 year to be eligible for celebratory birth money.
- ② Children up to 20 years old (eligible until the upcoming March 31<sup>st</sup> after their 20<sup>th</sup> birthday ). However, children who are already married are excluded.
- ③ The recipient referred in ① has 3 or more children and is taking care of them independently (e.g. is receiving Child-care Allowance “*JidouTeate*”)
- ④ For families with 3 children, eligibility is for the 3<sup>rd</sup> child; for families with 4 children, eligibility is for the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> child.
- ⑤ If you apply for celebratory money for the 3<sup>rd</sup> child or onward after they are born, childbirth celebratory money will be given. However, if an application is not submitted within 60 days of the date of birth, you will not be eligible for this lump sum.
- ⑥ The childcare fees at authorized nurseries “*ninka hoikuen*”, quasi-authorized nurseries “*jun-ninka hoiku shisetsu*”, Early Childhood Education and Care Centers “*ninka kodomoen*,” and municipal kindergartens “*shiritsu youchien*” and private kindergartens “*watakushiritsu youchien*” will be exempted (school bus fares and such are separate from childcare fees). Apply for these benefits as soon as the child has been accepted for enrollment (before actual enrollment starts).
- ⑦ However, please take into account that if a person applies with any unmet conditions (listed below), they will not be eligible to receive benefits. In addition to ①②and ③, all the family members are either a subscribing member of health insurance, or is a dependent. Also, no late tax payments (Municipal-and Prefectural-Inhabitant Taxes, Fixed Property Tax, Light Motor Vehicle Tax, National Health Insurance Tax, childcare fees at nurseries or kindergartens, School Meal Fees at elementary school or junior high school, etc.).

## ■ Procedures

Please come to City Hall (3F / Counter 31), Children Affairs Division “*Kodomo-Ka*” counter to start your application.

The required items for application include the personal seal “*inkan*” and health insurance card of person applying, Resident “*Zairyu*” Card or Special Permanent Resident Certificate of the person applying and their concerning child.

If applying for childbirth celebratory money “*Shussan Iwai-kin*,” the required documents include applicants’ bankbook. If applying for reduction or exemption for nursery / kindergarten childcare fees, a Benefit Approval Certificate “*Shikyu Ninteisho*” is required as well.

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