# **Outpatient Information**

Yodogawa Christian Hospital is a Regional Medical Care Support Hospital which provides medical care in cooperation with your primary care doctors.

Please bring a referral letter when you come to the hospital for medical examination. If you have a referral letter, you are not required to pay "Sentei Ryoyo Fee" (see below) on the first visit.

#### \*"Sentei Ryoyo Fee" (Fee for Treatment of Patients' Choice):

To coordinate the allocation of functions and activities among medical institutions, the Japanese Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare has instituted a system under which a patient is required to pay a fee fixed by each institution, in addition to the fee for the first visit, if the patient is visiting a hospital with 200 or more beds without being referred by another authorized insurance medical institution.

If you are a new patient to this hospital and you do not have a referral letter (a patient referral document) from another authorized insurance medical institution, you will therefore be asked to pay a "fee for treatment of patients' choice" in addition to the first visit fee.

If you undergo specific health care that is publicly funded or if you are taken to the hospital by ambulance, you are not required to pay this fee.

First Visit ¥7,000 + tax
Partially Return Visit\* ¥3,000 + tax

## Registration and Consultation Hours

### **Registration Hours**

Monday through Saturday: 8:00 am - 11:00 am

#### **Consultation Hours**

Monday through Friday: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Saturday: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

- \*Afternoon consultations are for patients with appointments only.
- \*\*Consultations of the following departments are by advance reservations only:

Nephrology, Ophthalmology, Breast Surgery, Thoracic Surgery,

Cardiovascular Surgery, Pediatric Surgery, OB&GYN, Plastic Surgery, Dermatology,

Oncology, Psychiatry, Palliative Care, Rehabilitation, Orthopedics, Hematology,

Cerebrovascular Neurology, General Medicine, Dentistry & Oral Surgery

(as of January 1, 2024)

### **Closing Days**

Saturday Afternoon, Sundays, National Holidays, Year-end & New Year Holidays

<sup>\*</sup>Partially Return Visit means to return to the original clinical department without a referral letter, after being referred to another hospital or clinic.

<sup>\*</sup>Appointments may be required for departments other than those listed above.