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The Japanese Association of Exercise Therapy and Prevention (JAETP) will serve as the host institution for the EIM Japan National Center. The role of the JAETP is to promote and contribute to the progress of interdisciplinary research in medical and sport sciences to prevent and treat chronic diseases.



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2023 Goals

- Work with the Ministry of Economy, Trade, and Industry to develop national guidelines for integrating the EIM Solution into the healthcare system
 - Develop a patient referral workflow that bridges the clinic and the local exercise community
 - Increase the number of healthcare providers that receive the EIM training course and are actively engaged in the assessment, prescription, and counseling of physical activity in healthcare systems.
 - Increase the number of exercise professionals that receive the EIM training course and are certified by the EIM Japan National Center.
 - Integrate physical activity as a vital sign and implement principles of EIM into hospitals and healthcare systems throughout Japan.
 - Participate and spread awareness of EIM Japan at several medical and health meetings throughout Japan.
 - Establish a special committee to oversee the growth of EIM On Campus in Japan.
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Accomplishments to Date

- Officially established the EIM Japan National Center in July 2018
- Worked with the Japanese Ministry of Health, Labor, and Welfare to assess health promotion facilities and begin the development of exercise programs
- Hosted a two-day, hybrid meeting for the EIM Asia region that was attended by >30 EIM leaders from across the region (2022)
- Project with Tokyo Metropolitan Medical Association to develop a patient referral workflow by bridging clinic with the local exercise community (2021)
- Working with the Ministry of Economy, Trade, and Industry to integrate EIM into the national health system (2021)
- Developed an app with the Ministry of Economy, Trade, and Industry to help doctors ‘match’ their patients with qualified exercise professionals (2021)
- Dr. Daichi Suzuki, General of the Japan Sports Agency, attended the 2019 EIM World Congress (Orlando, FL) and gave a presentation at the EIM National Center Directors’ Meeting focused on the sports implementation in Japan, as well as cooperation between the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare and Sports Agency for Health Promotion through sports
- In June 2019, the Japanese Cabinet announced, in a press release, a new policy to institutionalize physical activity assessment into the national health care system
- Created a standard exercise program to make it easier for healthcare providers to refer patients to existing community resources by developing a network of exercise professional linked to the Japanese Association of Clinical Exercise Physiologists (JCEP) (Dec 2019)
- The Tokyo Medical Association launch a pilot experiment to integrate physical activity assessment, prescription, and patient referral as a standard in patient care (2020)
- Tokyo’s Governor Koike stated that “Health promotion in Tokyo is in line with the purpose of EIM” at the Tokyo Metropolitan Assembly (March 2020)
- Generated nearly \$20,000 in fundraising from four partners (2020)
- Started an EIM On Campus program at Osaka Sangyo University

