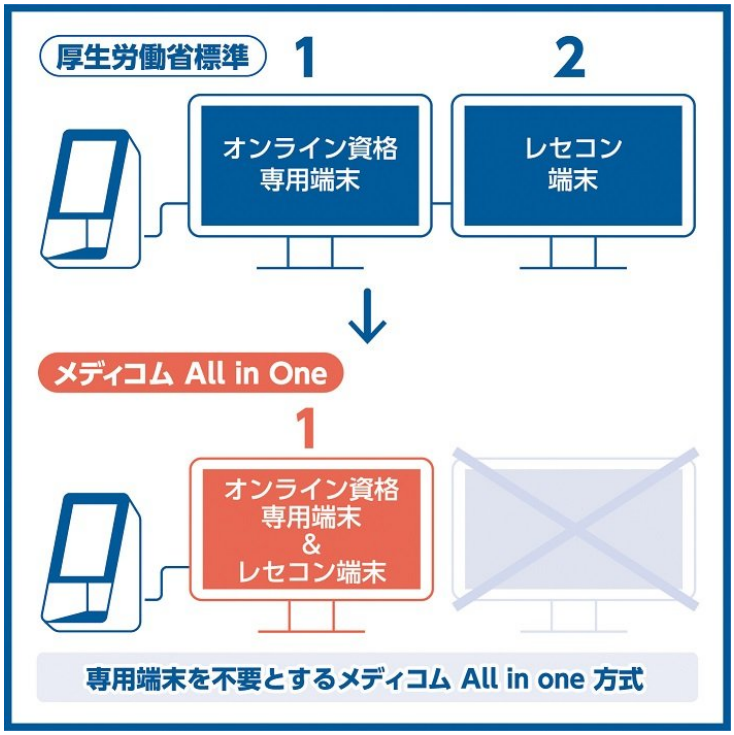
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Japan launches medical computer software for medical institutions and insurance pharmacies

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PHC Corporation released software that works with online qualification confirmation systems and card readers with face recognition.



Japan's PHC Corporation on Jan 7, 2021 announced the release of software for medical computers for medical institutions and insurance pharmacies that works with the "Card Reader with Face Authentication (compatible with My Number Card)

"Online qualification confirmation", which will be introduced in March 2021, connects medical institutions and pharmacies with the Social Insurance Medical Fee Payment Fund and the National Health Insurance Central Association online, and can be used as a My Number card presented by patients. A new medical insurance qualification confirmation system that automatically confirms the validity of insurance qualifications online using a health insurance card.With the introduction of this system, the efficiency of reception work at medical institutions and pharmacies, including the work of inputting patient's health insurance card information, and qualification confirmation errors that occur when a patient presents a revoked health insurance card This will prevent the problem and reduce the work of returning medical bills.

The software released this time eliminates the need to purchase an additional terminal dedicated to qualification confirmation, which is required by the standard method of the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare, and medically performs medical insurance qualification and identity verification for patients using My Number card and card reader with face recognition. Since it can be carried out on the monitor screen of a computer, it can be easily introduced even at the reception desk of a clinic or pharmacy where space is limited. In addition, this software can also be linked with an electronic medical record system and an

electronic drug history system. Therefore, after obtaining the consent of the patient, the medical institution can view the patient's specific medical examination information and drug information on the electronic medical record system, and the pharmacy can view the drug information on the electronic drug history system, and duplicate medications and contraindicated drugs can be viewed. More accurate and safe diagnosis, medication, and dispensing can be realized by confirming the prescription.

Furthermore, in response to the "Additional Financial Assistance for the Introduction of Online Qualification Confirmation" announced by the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare, today, in order to realize the early introduction of the system in more medical institutions and pharmacies, We have signed a business consignment contract with Nippon Telegraph and Telephone East Corporation regarding the introduction of this system. Through collaboration utilizing the company's wide network, we will speed up line construction and installation work at customer bases.

PHC is a Japanese operating company of the PHC Group, which develops, manufactures, sells, and services in the business fields of diabetes management, diagnosis/life science, and healthcare services, and provides healthcare solutions globally. The PHC dedicated software to be released this time aims to promote the spread of "online qualification confirmation" and further promote the utilization of PHC's medical computer.

***Image Caption**: Comparison diagram of Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare standard method and Medicom All in One method*