

Request to the Primary Care Physician

As radiation therapy is an advanced medical treatment, there are several conditions that need to be met in order for us to provide the patient with the treatment at our facility. In August 2004, particle beam radiation therapy was approved as advanced medical treatment by the Ministry of Health and Welfare. Therefore, the cost of medical treatment other than the cost of particle beam radiation therapy (¥2,883,000) is covered by the health insurances, and the patient's total out-of-pocket responsibility is approximately ¥3,000,000.

Please understand that the medical care provided at the Hyogo Ion Beam Medical Center is limited to radiation therapy. Examinations and medical care before and after this treatment need to be provided in conjunction with the primary care physician.

• General Conditions

1. Condition of the entire body: The functions of the major organs should be maintained.
2. The patient is able to maintain the posture in resting supine position or sitting position (the posture that must be maintained during treatment) for approximately 30 minutes.

• Indications

Currently the indications are as follows:

1. Head and neck tumor (excluding cancer in the larynx and hypopharynx)
2. Skull base tumor (chordoma, sarcoma, meningioma)
3. Lung cancer (solitary tumor)
4. Mediastinal tumor
5. Liver cancer (solitary tumor)
6. Pancreatic cancer (preoperative irradiation or irradiation together with use of gemcitabine if the cancer is unresectable)
7. Kidney cancer
8. Prostate Cancer
9. Rectal cancer (postoperative local recurrence)
10. Vaginal cancer
11. Bone and soft tissue tumor
12. Metastatic tumor (solitary tumor)
13. Other localized tumor

Fill out the "Particle Beam Radiation Therapy Referral Fax Form (1)" (patient referral form) and "Particle Beam Radiation Therapy Referral Fax Form (2)" (Check Items and Test Items) prepared for each disease, and fax to Hyogo Ion Beam Medical Center (fax: 0791-58-2600). (**Business hours are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Japan Standard Time.**) We will respond by fax if your patient is accepted for the treatment.

If your patient is accepted, the primary care physician should notify him/her of the date of the medical examination at Hyogo Ion Beam Medical Center. Please make preparations and ensure the patient brings **all of the following on the day of the medical examination: insurance card, test results, films of the tests that are checked on the required test list, and prepared slides of the pathological specimens.**

For questions, please contact:

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