Impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on health check-ups in 2021 and 2022: A nationwide follow-up survey of healthcare facilities in Japan Society of Ningen Dock

**Supplementary Materials** 

## **Supplementary Table 1.** Precautions against COVID-19 when performing in-facility check-ups

|  | Total      | Dedicated to check-ups/Annexed | Annexed to hospitals | P value |
|--|------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|---------|
|  | (n=838)    | to clinics<br>(n=320)          | (n=518)              |         |
| Wearing masks (employees and examinees)  | 835 (99.6) | 318 (99.4)                     | 517 (99.8)           | 0.673   |
| Handwashing/hand disinfection  | 834 (99.5) | 318 (99.4)                     | 516 (99.6)           | >0.99   |
| Sufficient ventilation   | 816 (97.4) | 314 (98.1)                     | 502 (96.9)           | 0.398   |
| Checking body temperature and health conditions of the examinees                                 | 823 (98.2) | 313 (97.8)                     | 510 (98.5)           | 0.679   |
| Limiting or rescheduling appointments to prevent overcrowding                                    | 749 (89.4) | 291 (90.9)                     | 458 (88.4)           | 0.301   |
| Disinfection of high-touch surfaces  | 816 (97.4) | 312 (97.5)                     | 504 (97.3)           | >0.99   |
| Establishing procedures for examinees who are judged inappropriate to undergo check-ups          | 813 (97.0) | 306 (95.6)                     | 507 (97.9)           | 0.098   |
| Preparation of procedures for dealing with suspected cases of COVID-19 infection on chest X-rays | 511 (61.0) | 213 (66.6)                     | 298 (57.5)           | 0.011   |
| Questionnaires on COVID-19 (e.g. behavioral history, contact history)                            | 551 (65.8) | 173 (54.1)                     | 378 (73.0)           | < 0.001 |
| Layout changes to avoid overcrowding   | 752 (89.7) | 287 (89.7)                     | 465 (89.8)           | >0.99   |
| Installing partitions  | 699 (83.4) | 294 (91.9)                     | 405 (78.2)           | < 0.001 |
| Asking examinees to wear unwoven masks   | 747 (89.1) | 285 (89.1)                     | 462 (89.2)           | >0.99   |
| Restrictions of visits from examinees from COVID-19-prevalent areas                              | 388 (46.3) | 126 (39.4)                     | 262 (50.6)           | 0.002   |
| COVID-19 antigen tests   | 125 (14.9) | 45 (14.1)                      | 80 (15.4)            | 0.656   |
| Removal of newspapers, magazines, and blankets   | 586 (69.9) | 235 (73.4)                     | 351 (67.8)           | 0.096   |
| Recommendation that examinees refrain from unnecessary conversation                              | 505 (60.3) | 210 (65.6)                     | 295 (56.9)           | 0.015   |
| Stopping providing food/Asking examinees to refrain from unnecessary conversation while eating   | 329 (39.3) | 104 (32.5)                     | 225 (43.4)           | 0.002   |

## **Supplementary Table 2.** Recommendations to health check-up facility employees as precautions against COVID-19

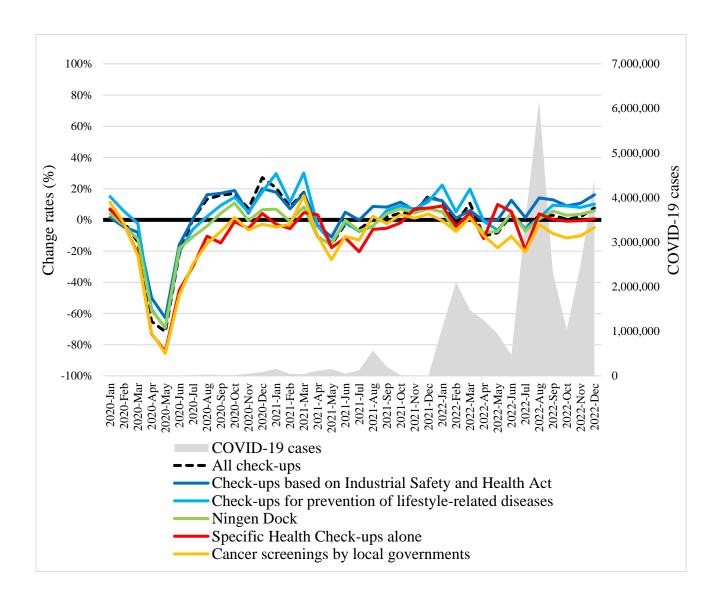
|  | Total      | Dedicated to check-       | Annexed to        | P value |
|--|------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------|
|  | (n=838)    | ups/Annexed<br>to clinics | hospitals (n=518) |         |
|  |            | (n=320)                   | (11–316)          |         |
| Refrain from conversations while eating  | 805 (96.1) | 297 (92.8)                | 508 (98.1)        | < 0.001 |
| Refrain from conversations without wearing masks                                   | 763 (91.1) | 284 (88.8)                | 479 (92.5)        | 0.087   |
| Refrain from having meals with people who do not live with them                    | 485 (57.9) | 150 (46.9)                | 335 (64.7)        | < 0.001 |
| in 2020  | 459 (54.8) | 142 (44.4)                | 317 (61.2)        | < 0.001 |
| in 2021  | 423 (50.5) | 127 (39.7)                | 296 (57.1)        | < 0.001 |
| in 2022  | 329 (39.3) | 94 (29.4)                 | 235 (45.4)        | < 0.001 |
| Wear unwoven masks   | 823 (98.2) | 312 (97.5)                | 511 (98.6)        | 0.342   |
| Use either face shields, eye shields, or goggles                                   | 490 (58.5) | 160 (50.0)                | 330 (63.7)        | < 0.001 |
| Refrain from travelling  | 639 (76.3) | 213 (66.6)                | 426 (82.2)        | < 0.001 |
| in 2020 (after the first State of Emergency was lifted)                            | 600 (71.6) | 201 (62.8)                | 399 (77.0)        | < 0.001 |
| in 2021  | 532 (63.5) | 166 (51.9)                | 366 (70.7)        | < 0.001 |
| in 2022  | 301 (35.9) | 78 (24.4)                 | 223 (43.1)        | < 0.001 |
| Take COVID-19 tests for fever or cold symptoms                                     | 803 (95.8) | 299 (93.4)                | 504 (97.3)        | 0.011   |
| Avoid work for certain periods with fever or cold symptoms, even if COVID-19 tests | 500 (50.7) | 180 (56.3)                | 320 (61.8)        | 0.131   |
| were negative  | 500 (59.7) | 180 (30.3)                | 320 (01.8)        | 0.131   |
| Get vaccinated against COVID-19  | 752 (89.7) | 271 (84.7)                | 481 (92.9)        | < 0.001 |
| Three doses of vaccination   | 60 (7.2)   | 31 (9.7)                  |                   | 0.013   |
| Fourth and subsequent doses of vaccination   | 658 (78.5) | 228 (71.3)                | 430 (83.0)        |         |

## **Supplementary Table 3.** Basic facility characteristics according to the negative financial impact of COVID-19 in 2022

|   |  | Total (n=838) | No negative impact (n=273) | Negative impact (n=517) | P value |
|---|--|---------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|---------|
| Type of facility  | Dedicated to healthcare check-<br>ups/annexed to clinics | 320 (38.2)    | 126 (46.2)                 | 176 (34.0)              | 0.001   |
|   | Annexed to hospitals                                     | 518 (61.8)    | 147 (53.8)                 | 341 (66.0)              |         |
| Area  | Kanto  | 301 (35.9)    | 97 (35.5)                  | 189 (36.6)              | 0.042   |
|   | Hokkaido   | 21 (2.5)      | 10 (3.7)                   | 10 (1.9)                |         |
|   | Tohoku   | 44 (5.3)      | 9 (3.3)                    | 31 (6.0)                |         |
|   | Chubu  | 157 (18.7)    | 41 (15.0)                  | 105 (20.3)              |         |
|   | Kansai   | 148 (17.7)    | 58 (21.2)                  | 81 (15.7)               |         |
|   | Chugoku  | 60 (7.2)      | 19 (7.0)                   | 40 (7.7)                |         |
|   | Shikoku  | 23 (2.7)      | 11 (4.0)                   | 9 (1.7)                 |         |
|   | Kyushu   | 73 (8.7)      | 26 (9.5)                   | 43 (8.3)                |         |
|   | Okinawa  | 11 (1.3)      | 2 (0.7)                    | 9 (1.7)                 |         |
| Location of facilities  | Ordinance-designated cities or special wards in Tokyo    | 310 (37.0)    | 90 (33.0)                  | 201 (38.9)              | 0.119   |
| Public or private   | Public   | 190 (22.7)    | 48 (17.6)                  | 129 (25.0)              | 0.023   |
| Number of employees   | 1–10   | 140 (16.7)    | 61 (22.3)                  | 67 (13.0)               | 0.029   |
|   | 11–20  | 237 (28.3)    | 74 (27.1)                  | 147 (28.4)              |         |
|   | 21–30  | 163 (19.5)    | 47 (17.2)                  | 112 (21.7)              |         |
|   | 31–40  | 86 (10.3)     | 26 (9.5)                   | 55 (10.6)               |         |
|   | 41–50  | 66 (7.9)      | 21 (7.7)                   | 39 (7.5)                |         |
|   | 51 or more   | 146 (17.4)    | 44 (16.1)                  | 97 (18.8)               |         |
| Accepting admission of COVID-19 patients                      | Yes  | 419 (50.0)    | 130 (47.6)                 | 269 (52.0)              | 0.269   |
| Outpatient fever clinic                                       | Yes  | 518 (61.8)    | 166 (60.8)                 | 323 (62.5)              | 0.702   |
| Providing COVID-19 vaccination services                       | Yes  | 650 (77.6)    | 222 (81.3)                 | 397 (76.8)              | 0.168   |
| COVID-19 PCR center   | Yes  | 149 (17.8)    | 55 (20.1)                  | 87 (16.8)               | 0.290   |
| Providing staffs to other departments in the facility         | Yes  | 482 (57.5)    | 150 (54.9)                 | 309 (59.8)              | 0.218   |
| Providing help to other departments for COVID-19-related care | Yes  | 359 (42.8)    | 110 (40.3)                 | 233 (45.1)              | 0.225   |
|   |  | (n=448)       | (n=124)                    | (n=299)                 |         |

| Total number of check-ups in 2019                                  | Median (Q1,Q3) | 13189 (6524,<br>31302) | 12709 (5473,<br>26870) | 14208 (7373, 32122) | 0.157  |
|--|----------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|--------|
|  | <10000         | 176 (39.3)             | 67 (54.0)              | 130 (43.5)          | 0.694  |
|  | 10000–19999    | 106 (23.7)             | 30 (24.2)              | 76 (25.4)           |        |
|  | 20000–39999    | 79 (17.6)              | 21 (16.9)              | 58 (19.4)           |        |
|  | ≥40000         | 87 (19.4)              | 21 (16.9)              | 61 (20.4)           |        |
| Percentage of mandatory check-ups <sup>a</sup> in 2019             | Median (Q1,Q3) | 33.0 (16.9, 53.7)      | 40.4 (21.9, 60.7)      | 31.2 (15.4, 50.2)   | 0.004  |
|  | <34%           | 229 (51.1)             | 52 (41.9)              | 166 (55.5)          | 0.015  |
|  | ≥34%           | 219 (48.9)             | 72 (58.1)              | 133 (44.5)          |        |
| Percent change in the number of check-ups in 2022 compared to 2019 | Median (Q1,Q3) | -1.4 (-7.4, 5.7)       | 1.5 (-3.5, 11.6)       | -3.2 (-9.3, 3.4)    | <0.001 |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Percentage of "Check-ups based on Industrial Safety and Health Act" and "Check-ups for prevention of lifestyle-related diseases"



**Supplementary Figure 1.** Change rates in the total overall monthly numbers of check-ups and those by type between 2020 and 2022, as compared to the same months in 2019 (n=403). Monthly numbers of COVID-19 cases are also shown.