

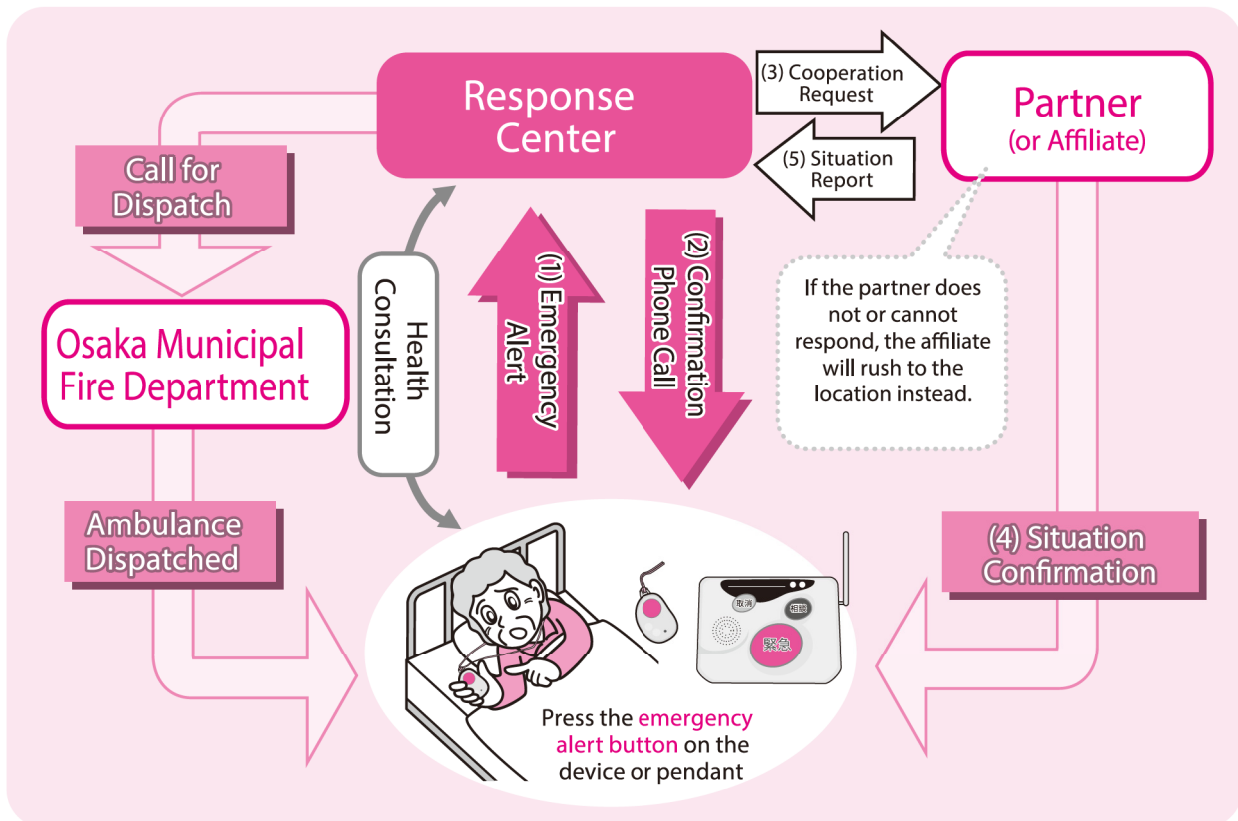
Other In-Home Care Services for the Elderly

1. Emergency Alert System

The City of Osaka loans emergency alert devices and pendant-type switches to those who are ages 65 and older living alone, or left alone for eight hours or more a day because other family members are working, or the household consists of only elderly residents. In case of emergency, the Response Center accepts 24-hour emergency alerts of sudden illness. If an emergency alert has been sent or if there is no response from the elderly resident, the center immediately calls for an ambulance to be dispatched. The City also provides consultations regarding health problems in daily life.

Note: In some cases, the user will be charged.

Emergency Alert System Flowchart



2. Provision of Daily Living Equipment

Daily living equipment is provided to the housebound elderly for their convenience.

Eligible persons: Housebound individuals ages 65 and over who do not have proper equipment in the home and who fulfill all conditions.

Note: Limitations due to income level may apply. In some cases, the user may be charged.

Equipment	Requirements	No. of Units	Service Life	Notes
Fire alarms (connected to emergency alert/ordinary type) •With outdoor warning buzzer	(1) Low-income elderly requiring care (Care Level 1 or greater), or (2) Low-income elderly living alone who require fire protection consideration	Up to 2	10	Requires written agreement from neighbors
Automatic fire extinguishers		1	8	
Electromagnetic cookers	Low-income elderly and others living alone who require fire protection consideration	1	6	

3. Provision of Nursing Supplies

Nursing supplies are provided to the families taking care of housebound elderly who are Care Level 4 or 5, or Care Level 3 and need full assistance with urination or defecation.

Note: Limited to households with elderly persons requiring care and caretaker households, either of which must be exempt from municipal tax.

Contents	Until June, 2015	From July, 2015	
Nursing Supplies	Disposable diapers (flat type/brief type/pull-up type)	Disposable diapers (flat type/brief type/pull-up type)	Waterproof sheets
	Lining pads	Lining pads	Mouth-care
	Bed bath products	Bed bath products	Apron for meals
	Dry shampoo	Dry shampoo	Deodorant
	Disposable gloves	Disposable gloves	Thickening agent
	Adaptive spoon, fork	Adaptive spoon, fork	
	Adaptive chopsticks	Adaptive chopsticks	
	Bedpans	Bedpans	
	Urinal pot	Urinal pot	
Voucher	6,250 yen per month	6,500 yen per month	

A redeemable voucher for nursing supplies is provided upon application starting in the month of approval. (Maximum of 12 vouchers per year)

4. Home Renovation Subsidy Program for Senior Citizens

When using nursing care insurance to make a home renovation for those with Care Need/Support Need Certification, a grant may be provided to cover construction costs (up to 300,000 yen) that are not covered by the insurance. The amount of the benefit depends on the household income and part of the costs must be borne by the user.

For inquiries about 1 to 4 above: Please contact the Health and Welfare Center of your local ward office.

5. Meal Service

Balanced meals are delivered to the elderly (with Care Need/Support Need Certification) living alone or households consisting of only elderly residents if they find it difficult to prepare meals due to mental and/or physical disorders. This service also includes checking up on the elderly.

For inquiries: Please contact the Local Comprehensive Support Center in your local district.

6. Support Program for Family Caretakers

Seminars and meetings to learn about care techniques are held for those taking care of an elderly person requiring nursing care.

For inquiries: Please contact the Local Comprehensive Support Center in your local district.

7. Service Reward Program for Family Caretakers

A service reward is paid to family members who took care of housebound elderly requiring care (Care Level 4 or 5) over the last year or more without using nursing care insurance services. The program is also aimed at promoting use of the nursing care insurance system. (It is required that none of the members of the household to which the caregiver and care-receiver belong are not imposed of the municipal tax.)

Service reward: 100,000 yen for one year

For inquiries: Please contact the Elderly Welfare Department, Public Health and Welfare Bureau
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