

Reduction or Exemption of National Health Insurance Premiums related to COVID-19

If your income has reduced due to business suspension or unemployment by COVID-19, you can apply for reduction or exemption from your National Health Insurance Premiums.

Reduction or exemption from the premiums

(1) Requirements for households to receive reduction or exemption

- ① Households whose breadwinners ※ have died of or have become seriously ill from COVID-19.
 - ② Households whose breadwinners' business income, real estate income, timber income or employment income (hereafter business income or other incomes) in 2021 is expected to decrease and meets all the following conditions of a to c.
 - a. The decreased amount of one of the business income or other incomes (less the amount to be made up by insurance, compensation for damages, etc.) is at least 30% of such business income or other incomes in 2020.
 - b. The total income in 2020 must be more than 1 yen and less than 10 million yen
 - c. The total amount of your income except the business income or other incomes in 2020 must be more than 1 yen and less than 4 million yen.
- ※ The breadwinner is the person who earns a primary income in the household. If the breadwinner is not the head of your household, please notify it on your application.
- The ratio of reduction or exemption is 20% to full exemption depending on the total income in 2020.
 - Please inquire the National Health Insurance Eligibility Subsection, if you would like to apply for reduction or exemption for the premiums calculated in FY2021 according to the income amount in 2020 [which is described as “FY2021 premium (for FY2020)” on the notice of the premiums].
 - **Those who are involuntarily unemployed (those who are qualified for the special reductions or exemptions) are not eligible for this reduction or exemption system.** However, if business income or other incomes is expected to decrease because of the reason other than involuntarily unemployed, you are eligible for this reduction or exemption system.

(2) Premiums to be reduced or exempted

A part or all of the premiums for FY2021 that are due for general collection between April 1, 2021 and March 31, 2022 (the date of payment of pension benefits if special collection)

(3) Applications

The application period for this reduction or exemption system is until March 31, 2022 (postmarked on or before the date). In principle, applications are accepted by postal mail. Please contact National Health Insurance Eligibility Subsection or check the official website of Suginami City for more information such as required documents and how to obtain the application form.

Inquiries: National Health Insurance Eligibility Subsection Tel. 03-5307-0641 (In Japanese)