

References

The ways to receive services in languages other than Japanese is as follows:

- 1) Visit the Health Center with a Japanese speaking translator
(Ask your friend, church, employer, embassy etc.)
- 2) Consult your local city/town/village office or international exchange organizations
- 3) Consult NGOs which provide medical information

The most accessible specialist in TB is the Health Center.

However, it is difficult to communicate in more than simple English at most Health Centers.

The following organizations offer advice in foreign languages on certain days/hours:

JATA (Japanese Anti-Tuberculosis Association) Telephone consulting for foreign persons

Tel : 03-3292-1218/1219 Fax : 03-3292-1292

Languages : Chinese (Mandarin, Cantonese), Korean, English

Hours for telephone consultaion : Tuesday 10:15 - 12:00, 13:15 - 15:00

Fax is always accepted.

AMDA International Medical Information Center (Telephone service)

Center Tokyo Tel : 03-5285-8088

English, Spanish, Chinese, Korean, Thai : Mon - Fri 9:00 - 17:00

Portuguese : Mon, Wed, Fri 9:00 - 17:00

Philippines : Wed 9:00 - 17:00

Persian : Mon 9:00 - 17:00

Center Kansai Tel : 06-6636-2333

English, Spanish : Mon - Fri 9:00 - 17:00

Also offer advice in Chinese and Portuguese. Please call in advance to check when these are available or visit their website (<http://www.osk.3web.ne.jp/~amdack/>)

Intermedix (Telephone service)

Tel & fax : 06-6304-8014

Language : English, Spanish, German, French

Hours : Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri 9:00 - 17:00

Sat 9:00 - 12:00

If you have access to the websites, there are followings:

<http://www.jata.or.jp>

<http://www.south-asia.com/ngo-tb/>

<http://www.who.ch/gtb/>