Creating a social implementation platform for evidence-based healthcare services

Final report

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Our understanding of the project context and objectives

Context

- As the sustainability of the social security system is being questioned, there is growing interest in **preventive health care through the utilization of healthcare products and services.** To this end, it is important for service providers to **improve the quality of services through evidence building, and** for service users (payers) to **select and use services based on evidence**
- On the other hand, the lack of evidence standards to be established for service providers and the insufficient organization and provision of information that would serve as purchase selection criteria for service users (payers) are issues.

Issues Identified Through Past Initiatives and Corresponding Actions

To address the above challenges, AMED has been implementing the Research and Development Infrastructure Project for the Social Implementation of Prevention and Health Promotion since FY2022, with support from the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry. The project aims to promote the social implementation of evidence-based healthcare services by developing guidelines and exploring approaches to their formal authorization. Key past initiatives and the issues identified through them are outlined below:

- Healthcare Social Implementation Infrastructure Development (FY2022–)
 - Area 1: Developed guidelines summarizing evidence on behavioral change for prevention and health promotion across 10 disease areas. Moving forward, there is a need to finalize these guidelines and organize initiatives to promote their use among stakeholders, including service providers and users
 - Area 2: Developed multidimensional value assessment tools¹ for service selection, along with evaluation indicators and research designs for evidence generation. Further efforts are needed to identify effective dissemination strategies to promote widespread use of these outputs.
- Health and Medical Information Utilization Technology Development (FY2024–): Although the development of individual healthcare products/services and supporting evidence is underway, progress toward implementation remains limited. It is therefore necessary to generate model cases aligned with the implementation process defined in this project.
- Evidence Development Promotion (FY2023-): Developed evidence generation methodologies in the dementia field, where service development is relatively advanced. Going forward, there is a need to identify priority areas and target populations for supporting research related to prevention and health promotion.

Objectives of the Current Fiscal Year's Study: In light of the above, the objectives of this year's study are defined as follows:

- Investigation into the Social Implementation of Research Outcomes from the Healthcare Social Implementation Infrastructure Development Project 1) Establish standards and systems for evaluating the quality and effectiveness of services utilizing the developed guidelines, 2) Identify dissemination strategies to promote the utilization of deliverables from Domain 1 and Domain 2, 3) Promote further development of guidelines in the field of prevention and health promotion
- Accompaniment Support for Selected Projects under the Health and Medical Information Utilization Technology Development Program: Through support for the implementation of healthcare services, develop model cases of evidence-based healthcare servicesBased on insights gained through accompaniment support, compile recommendations for AMED's future support measures starting in FY2025
- Study on Challenges Related to the Research and Development Infrastructure Project for the Social Implementation of Prevention and Health Promotion: Building on the above
 investigations and accompaniment support, the study will analyze and organize challenges related to the process from evidence generation to implementation of healthcare services, and propose
 a framework for an integrated support system to be implemented by AMED
- 1. an index to evaluate the value of medical/healthcare technologies from multiple perspectives, such as QOL and social impact, in addition to health effects

Understanding the Positioning of This Fiscal Year's Project

This fiscal year marks a critical turning point, as it involves the implementation of a new support structure, the creation of model cases, and the consideration of the project's direction over the next five years

FY2022	FY2023	FY2024 (this fiscal year)	FY2025 and onward
		Implementation of a Support Model for Building a Social	Implementation and elaboration of support measures for social implementation infrastructure
Identifying Challenges in	Development of a Plan to Build a Foundation for Social Implementation	Implementation Foundation Based on proposals developed in this project, support measures were implemented through three	To ensure that healthcare services backed by evidence are chosen by users and used continuously, the following actions were taken:
the Social Implementation Process	Based on findings from the study conducted two fiscal years ago, a concrete plan was proposed to	programs to provide end-to-end assistance—from evidence generation on behavioral change	Capabilities and organizational structures were developed to implement an integrated support
A study was conducted on the development of a foundation for the evidence-based social implementation of healthcare services. This involved designing a process for implementing evidence-based	establish the infrastructure required for social implementation. Specifically, the study involved in- depth investigation and validation of the challenges broadly identified in the earlier study, with	bissemination strategies were developed to ensure appropriate use of deliverables such as guidelines from existing projects.	framework, including the authorization mechanism considered in this year's study. Changes in the provision of evidence-based healthcare services in Japan were monitored and necessary support measures
healthcare services and identifying the necessary support measures at each stage. The study also highlighted gaps in	the aim of pinpointing gaps in Japan's current support measures with greater precision. Building on this, the plan outlines	through implementation support, reflecting the evidence-based social implementation process developed in previous years.	were continuously evaluated and considered.
Japan's current system— compared to other countries—and identified the support measures required to enable effective social implementation.	potential implementing bodies and operational frameworks for the proposed support measures, developed through discussions with relevant stakeholders.	Based on these efforts, AMED initiated the development of an integrated support structure to promote the social implementation of healthcare services.	

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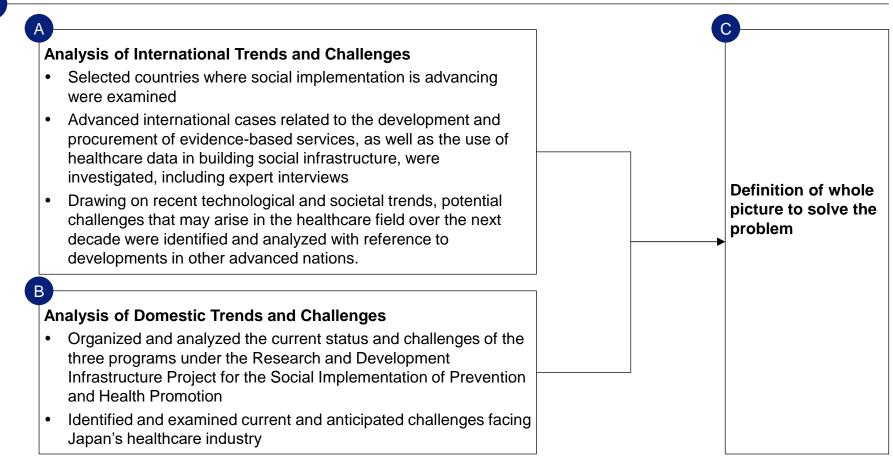
Overall picture of objectives and implementation items

Objective

Organizing and Analyzing Challenges and Support Measures for the Implementation of Healthcare Products and Services Based on Evidence Generation

Deriving Insights to Inform the Future Direction of the Research and Development Infrastructure Project for the Social Implementation of Prevention and Health Promotion

Items implemented this year

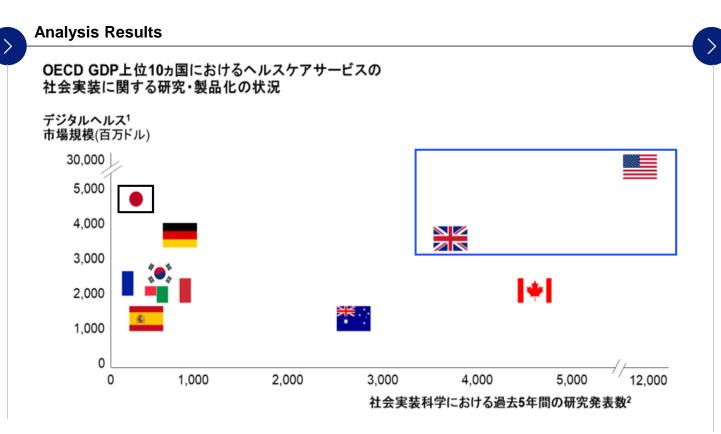


A Analysis of International Trends and Challenges: The United Kingdom and the United States were selected as target countries for the study

Evaluated in terms of the number of research publications and the size of the digital health market

Research Policy and Methodology

- Regional context similarities, such as infrastructure and disease burden distribution, are Similarity of context is a necessary condition
- To select countries that are economically close to Japan, we narrowed the list of candidate countries for the survey from the top 10 OECD GDP GDP to select countries that are economically close to Japan.
- From the degree of development of both research and services To evaluate the research and services, we use the "number of research publications" and the "size of the digital health market". Health Market Size" in order to evaluate



Policy for Selecting Target Countries

In light of the findings from the studies conducted two and one fiscal years ago, the **United Kingdom** and the **United States** were selected as the primary target countries for this year's investigation

This report focuses on the United Kingdom, where on-site research was conducted

- 1. Estimated 2021 total sales of products and services in the digital health space that track and monitor physical and mental health and enable more efficient access to care, treatment, and medicines for current conditions
- Based on research articles published in MEDLINE from 7/1/2017~7/4/2022. Number of studies by country where the published author's organization is based. If there is more than one author, the same research is counted duplicated in each country. Counts research papers on social implementation science that include the following terms: "implementation research", "dissemination research", "implementation science", "knowledge translation" "improvement science", "research utilization", "delivery science", "quality improvement

A Overseas case studies: Overview of support for healthcare businesses in the U.K.

(see below for details)

	Business ideas and systems knowledge		s models and protocols for lence building protocols for	Evidence building	Scaling
UKRI related organizations	building Innovation Kno Based at a university, support between academ	-	arch		
			Innovate UK ¹ Supporting business R&D and c	ommercialization	
			Business Connect companies and academia (Knowledge g, Digital Health) and provide expert ad		Business Growth Experts in areas such as investment and market expansion provide support for scaling
	Suppo		Digital Health Hul vorks connecting companies with the N n between universities and companies a	HS, NPOs, local governments, invest	
DHSC Related Organizations			NHS Innovation A Provides three years of compa Connecting to opportunities such	nion support for businesses	
			Other NHS-Relate Accelerated Access Collabora Partner with NIA to sup	tive and local NHS networks	
	Provides research	support for healthcare pro	National Institute for Health and Ca jects and promotes collaboration betwe		NPOs, local governments, etc.

1. Innovate UK and NIHR, both in blue, are funding agencies (FAs) that support research and development, like AMED, and are AMED's counterparts.

A Overseas case studies: Innovate UK 1/2

Overview and Support

Summary

Objective: Innovation Supporting business growth through ecosystem support Support business growth through

Operated by: UK Research and Innovation¹

Target: Business innovation through technology in all fields (including non-healthcare)

Budget: FY22 is GBP 1.145 bn (about JPY 222.2 bn²) from UKRI

Structure: Comprised of more than 350 innovation and business specialists based throughout the UK, overseen by a council member in each field

Details

Specific Support

- In addition to financial support such as grants, business coaching is provided—including support for business planning, monetization strategies, and scaling—by a team of nine healthcare experts. Support for international expansion is also offered
- For companies engaged in innovation, opportunities are provided for joint research and innovation (R&I), along with the sharing of knowledge and skills from academia to industry

Support Phases and Methods

- Although there is no explicit information, it appears that the company is providing support for the R&D and commercialization phases.
- Intervention by experts from different partner and subordinate organizations for each phase. Connections with other organizations in the industry (NHS, medical institutions, local authorities) where evidence building takes place

Projects and programs implemented to support

- Innovate UK Business Connect, Innovate UK Business Growth, Catapult Center, Innovation and Knowledge Center, etc. Also partnered with the Digital Health & Care Innovation Centre, which specializes in digital health (see separate page for details).
- One of Business Connect's initiatives, the Knowledge Transfer Partnership, Matching participating academia and businesses to fund joint research

Impact

- 124 cases supported by Innovate UK in the healthcare sector since 2018
- Business connect event led SME Passsystem and Caring cloud to successfully launch a project to provide an app developed for dementia patients and their families to the City of Liverpool

2. Exchange rate: 1 GBP = 194 JPY (as of March 25, 2025)



Suggestion

Providing both funding and business coaching is essential

For companies that struggle to identify opportunities to implement B2B2C or B2G2C business models, it is necessary to facilitate connections with local governments and payers

^{1.} UKRI: A subsidiary of BEIS. It provides research institutions and businesses with investment, collaboration creation, and international expansion support.

A Overseas case studies: Innovate UK 2/2

Activities of the Business Connect suborganization



	Overview and		
Hub Name	Objectives	Activities	Value Proposition and Impact
Knowledge Transfer Partnership	Matching academia and companies Matching academia and business to fund joint funding for joint	 Matching academia in fields related to the project Knowledge transfer partnerships Associates (academics who majored in the project field at university) are stationed at the company to 	Academia: Research based on the needs of society can be conducted with funds provided by Knowledge transfer partnerships and project budgets from companies
	research providing opportunities for collaboration between academia and industry by	provide support for the project Associates (people who majored in the project field at university and are close to academia) are stationed in the company to support the project	Companies: can collaborate with academia personnel and conduct research using funds provided by knowledge transfer partnerships (67% of project costs for small and medium-
		 Academia provides expertise and research support that is not available through Associate support. Provide specialized knowledge and research support that cannot be reached by Associate support (about half a day/week) 	sized companies, 50% for large companies, and 75% for third-sector organizations)
Healthy Aging Community of Practice	Building a community for practical efforts on health Issues of the Elderly building a community for practical initiatives on	 Connecting entrepreneurs, policy makers, and investors interested in senior health issues Monthly newsletter to 4,000 media followers and information on member events Host events for members to provide senior citizens 	In its fifth year since founding, the social venture EIATE has developed an app that enables elderly individuals, their families, and care providers to share information such as hospital appointments, medication schedules,
	Supporting knowledge exchange between companies, social ventures, and academia to support knowledge exchange	with provide opportunities for exchange of ideas between parties and companies on health issues	and health status. The app was developed through user interviews and pilot testing conducted within the community

A Overseas case studies: Digital Health & Care Innovation Centre, a partner of Innovate UK

Overview and Support



Summary

Objective: Social implementation of innovations in digital health and care

Operator: Innovations Center of the Scottish Funding Council Programs.

Funding structure: funding from Scottish Enterprise Agency, HIE¹ -SOSE² - UKRI (Innovate UK), etc.

Structure: 37 people with different titles core members, Senior Management Team (SMT) to guide and support them, Board of Directors Senior Management Team (SMT), Board of Directors, Strategic Advisory Group (SAG), and Commercial Advisory Group (CAN)

Details

Specific Support

Collaborate with healthcare providers, companies, researchers, and others to
 Innovate

project to launch

- Provides an environment where new technologies and services can be tested and evaluated
- Event to promote networking among digital health stakeholders Networking Events for Digital Health Stakeholders
- Provide funding opportunities, mentorship, and access to resources for startups and SMEs working on digital health solutions

Impact

- 35 programs established to date (including completed programs)
- Specific Case Study: SmartCough Project
- A collaboration between the University of Edinburgh, University of the West of Scotland, Cirrus Logic³, and Chest Heart & Stroke Scotland SmartCough is a pilot study to develop a low-cost application for monitoring patients with respiratory disease. The study will enable telemedicine for respiratory telemedicine for respiratory disease, and is expected to help reduce the burden on the NHS

Implications

It is important to provide funding opportunities and mentorship to companies struggling with financing and business design

For companies facing challenges in evidence generation and needs validation, it is necessary to offer access to testing environments for their technologies and services

1. Public companies that support businesses and communities in the Scottish Highlands

3. An American semiconductor development company

^{2.} Companies that support businesses and communities in southern Scotland

• Overseas case studies: UKRI's digital health-focused support program, UKRI Digital Health Hubs as hub projects led by universities and other organizations

Overview and Support



Outline

Objective: To **promote co-creation** in the medical and academic fields, by encouraging co-creation between the medical, academic, and business sectors, innovation in the field of digital health medical, academic, and business sectors by encouraging co-creation

Subjects: projects related to the field of digital health

projects. Selection will be based on a review process including submission of a long-term joint research plan.

Governing body: a joint project of Innovate UK and UKRI-affiliated institutions such as EPCRS¹ (duration 2023-2026)

Budget: 165 billion pounds (About JPY 32bn², 2023-2026 build budget for the project)

Structure: In addition to the Governing Body, other organisations within UKRI will be involved, with stakeholders including the NHS, social care providers, universities and businesses. providers, universities, businesses, and other stakeholders.

Details

Specific structure

Invest funds to build (each with its own Hub) for the following purposes

- Improve skills and capabilities in the development of digital health and care solutions across industries
- Opportunity to work with users in the medical field to create solutions
- Rapidly apply and commercialize digital technology to the healthcare sector
- Building a new partnership community of industry, healthcare, social welfare, research institutions, and users
- Developing a leadership development system in digital health

Focus area

- Out-of-hospital medicine and care; disease prediction, diagnosis, and intervention
- Addressing health disparities through the development of digital healthcare technology up to its use in the NHS
- Addressing the health needs and digital exclusion of underserved communities
- Development of digital technologies such as symptom tracking apps and wearable devices to improve health
- antibacterial resistance

Activities

- Providing support to build and share knowledge and skills across disciplines and stakeholders
- Specifically, vocational training, continuing professional development courses, secondments, workshops, seminars, etc.
- Financial assistance of 80% of costs (up to 10 million) for eligible projects

^{1.} Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council

^{2.} Exchange rate: 1 GBP = 194 JPY (as of March 25, 2025)

Overseas case studies: NHS Innovation Accelerator (NIA)

Overview and Support



Outline

Operated by: UCLPartners (sponsor), 15 AHSNs (partners)

Target: the challenges facing the NHS.

Tackle: Approximately 20% (6/34) of published cases of innovation with examples of use in the UK **are not aiming for reimbursement**

Budget: GBP 198 mn (about JPY 38bn¹) in external funding over the past 10 years

Structure: 6 core members (2 directors, 1 manager each for communications, delivery and projects, and project coordinator)

Purpose and Background: To support social implementation of innovations and share knowledge

S Details

Support

- Approximately 1,012 individuals involved in innovation are selected each year as fellows (recipients of support)²
- During the three-year program, the following support will be provided to boost recruitment in the NHS
 - Expert support: Assign experts in business, academia, and policy related fields as mentors, etc, Introduction to experts in evidence building/healthcare business strategy and financing/healthcare-related regulations and policies, etc.
- Support for Evidence Building: Provide connections with healthcare professionals, patients and local authorities to build evidence involving patients and the general public, and support in accordance with NICE guidelines
- Support for Collaboration with Other Organizations: In partnership with the NHS Accelerated Access Collaborative (AAC), opportunities are provided for companies to collaborate with NHS medical institutions as sites for pilot testing
- Innovation Deployment Support: Introduces the needs of medical and long-term care institutions in each region and provides educational programs to support the dissemination of services and products

Support system

- Development phase: Supported by medical and digital experts
- Commercialization phase: experts in health economics, business development and evidence building
- · Post-commercialization expansion phase: legal, investment and operations experts
- Continued connection to the NIA community after the 3-year support period, including support from other agencies such as the NHS. support from other organizations such as the NHS.

Impact

- Supported more than 50 innovation deployments, of which more than 30 went international and received 185 awards
- More than 2,800 NHS Organizations Leverage Innovation

Implications

Support Measures: To ensure successful monetization, it is essential to provide targeted support and matchmaking based on clearly defined end users of the service

Implementation Structure: In addition to experts in evidence generation methodologies, it is also necessary to involve professionals with business expertise, such as entrepreneurs, strategic advisors, and mentors

1. Exchange rate: 1 GBP = 194 JPY (as of March 25, 2025)

2. Examples of fellows: Andy Minnion MBE of RIX Wiki, Carey McClellan of getUBetter

A Overseas case studies: NHS Accelerated Access Collaborative (AAC)

Overview and Support



Outline

Governing body: not a statutory body, but a convening group bringing together industry, academia, third sector, patient representatives and key government agencies (Life Sciences Authority, NIHR, NHS etc.) Chaired by Lord Darzi

Subjects: Pharmaceuticals,
Medical Devices and Diagnostics,
digital product and treatment
processes, from prevention to
secondary care.
Covering the entire healthcare

Budget: No information on fixed budgets, which appear to be project-based

Structure: No information available

Purpose and Background:

Accelerated Access Review (2016) is the main purpose of the background evidence building support

Details

Support

Support all types of innovation, including pharmaceuticals, diagnostics, medical devices, digital products, changes in practice processes, and new workforce models

Support system

- Advice and guidance are provided free of charge and rarely require a specific application
- Integrate various organizations and support innovation throughout its lifecycle
- Small businesses and entrepreneurs can enter an innovation records can be entered (large companies consult directly with NHS Commercial).
- A case manager is assigned to each innovation to coordinate with experts and organizations at each stage of development with experts and organizations at each stage of development.
- Case managers do not provide direct technical expertise, but facilitate connections to resources within NHS Trusts, NICE and MHRA
- Scale pilot deployments through early-stage pathways and regulatory processes, as needed Guide innovators through to support for expansion
- Regional Health Innovation Networks (15 in total) help companies find test sites, engage local governments, and connect with local institutions, universities, and industry
- Center aligns local needs with national assessment and funding

Implications

Support Measures: In supporting evidence generation, it is important to facilitate connections with test sites and local **governments**

Implementation Structure: Appointing dedicated personnel and providing cross-organizational support may be an effective approach

B Current status of domestic trends: Current status of the three programs implemented by AMED

As of March 2025

Review of current conditions **Behavior Change** Services Public Examples of diseases Evidence Evidence Awareness and areas of past public **Building for** Service building tied Service **Objectives** call for proposals **Behavior Change** Business name Creation to services Authorization Improvement **EVIDENCE** Evidence building for non-pharmacological Dementia interventions delivered as health care services Promotion of Construction Business (FY2023~) Healthcare Establishing a foundation for the scientific evaluation of Fatty liver related healthcare services and products in the field of prevention diseases, cardiovascular Social Implementation and health promotion through below two means: diseases, psychiatric Infrastructure Field 1 Development diseases, gynecological Field 2 Field 1 Field 1, (1) the development of guidelines related to Field 2. Business diseases, care Research prevention and health promotion prevention, lifestyle Design and Multiple (FY2022~) (2) the development of new research methodologies improvement, etc. Evaluation Valuing to generate evidence in this field. Scale Indicators Health and Development and evidence generation for the Cardiovascular disease, Medical Information commercialization (monetization) of applications and lifestyle improvement, Utilization services that contribute to prevention and health etc. **promotion**, utilizing personal daily health data obtained Technology through IoT devices and health checkup data accessed **Development Issues** via platforms such as Mynaportal (FY2024~)

B Domestic Trend Issue Review: Current and Potential Issues for the Health Care Industry

	Building Evidence for Behavior Change	Organizing Evidence	Service development with a view to practical application	Practical application and dissemination	
	Academic Research	Authorization	Tied to Services building Evidence	Monetization and Scaling Through PMF Achievement	
Society as a whole	 Differences exist in the state of evidence building in different disease areas Differences exist in the state of evidence building Dementia, women's health, and frailty, in particular, are less likely to accumulate. 	 on behavior change. There is no USPSTF-like guide line that summarizes the evidence There is no USPSTF-like guideline that summarizes the evidence for behavior change. 	 Compared to the U.K. and the U.S., advanced services have not been created Inferior in terms of functionality Lack of evidence accumulation of intervention methods tied to services Inconsistent method of calculating effectiveness by stakeholder 	 Lack of a system to properly evaluate and recommend services with quality and usefulness Lack of a system to properly evaluate and recommend services with quality and usefulness 	
Services Businesses	 In some disease areas Lack of evidence accumulation in academia 	 Evidence on Behavior Change Evidence on behavior change is and not enough to be utilized for service development. Insufficient utilization for service development 	 Lack of connection with academia and difficulty in collaboration in service development and evidence building Unclear evidence and method of building evidence that leads to monetization For evidence building Difficult to secure a demonstration environment 	 Payer Incentives Difficult for a single payer to provide incentives How to design business strategies for sustainable monetization and sales expansion (overseas expansion, etc.) Unclear how to design business strategies for sustainable monetization and sales expansion (e.g., overseas expansion) Unclear Distribution and sales expansion Distribution and sales Distribution	
			Difficult to design business strategy du	e to lack of successful examples in Japan	

- Lack of criteria and information to refer to when selecting services
- Unclear return on investment in prevention and health promotion

B Deep Dive into Domestic Issues: Local Governments' Perceptions of Issues Related to Evidence Building 1/2

Interview Contents



Learning from the previous efforts in the municipality's public support scheme, the municipality does not fund the demonstration itself, but funds the **commissioned** projects, such as **support for protocol development by** academia and an **ethics review committee**. It is also significant in providing a place to meet with academia."

Municipalities Stakeholders "For self-driving, it would be good to subdivide each region (e.g., collaborate with universities in the region) and **network over a wide area**. Narrowing down the field would allow us to fix the field and eliminate the need to search for it."

"Depending on the level of service maturity, some projects will produce results in one or two sessions, while others will take a number of sessions. We would like to do the former in terms of project results, but the latter is what we really need government support for. Currently, we are taking both approaches. It is important to formulate an action plan that matches the phases."

"The projects that come in are **all mixed up, and it is difficult and costly to identify them**. We would like to have a specialized organization screen the projects, but it is difficult because the projects have not yet been finalized. It is important to have a **co-creation network that complements what the secretariat can do**."

"The project budget has decreased in recent years, and it is difficult to further reduce costs, although we are trying to improve efficiency by incorporating schemes that can make effective use of human resources who understand the project, such as the cooperation of alumni and university researchers. The current budget is a temporary measure until a few years from now, and we need to consider what the future should be."

"The challenge is that it does not lead to monetization. Although the government is providing support for social implementation through specific service certification, it is not able to provide business. The government cannot provide business guarantees. If the evidence leads to monetization, the amount of investment in evidence building can be increased."

"Field development is difficult and requires manpower. One of the reasons for refusal by the demonstration sites is the difficulty in providing benefits to the non-intervention group when testing the intervention group and the non-intervention group. It would be good to introduce before-and-after studies and establish research methods that assume virtual control sites."

"The overall picture of the necessary functions has finally become clear after 10 years. It will take another 10 years or so to realize social implementation. It is important to have a long-term plan and to accumulate know-how and develop human resources. It is important not to let the secretariat functions end up being a personal one."

"Instead of providing individual support for each project through public solicitation, it would be good to have a style of **support for local coordinating** organizations."

Implications for Support Systems

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In supporting demonstration research by local governments, we support a variety of demonstration sites and It is important to form a co-creation network involving various stakeholders such as It is important to form a co-creation network involving a variety of stakeholders, including various demonstration sites and academia.

One of the issues that the demonstration support recipient feels is the problem of **analytical methods**; it would be good to consider collaboration with Field 2 deliverables.

evidence, including accreditation systems. Mechanisms for monetization are needed to increase investment in empirical research

Medium- to long-term accumulation of knowhow and human resource development are important. and human resource development are important.

B A Deeper Look at Domestic Issues: Local Governments' Perceptions of Issues Related to Evidence Building 2/2

Interview Contents



"The initial 5-year support period, followed by a 5-year self-sustaining management phase. Support of 1 million yen per project, funded by member companies. In addition, a specialized coordinator from the promotion organization will assist in matching companies with academia and in designing demonstration studies. In another initiative, the general public with a high level of health awareness is invited to participate as supporters and provide support for the demonstration research."

Municipalities Stakeholders "Academia is mainly universities and other institutions in the region from the perspective of local development. Data usage rights and other incentives are offered, but advice and other services are often provided by volunteers, mainly by professors who were originally active in the initiative or have strong ties to companies."

"We are facing a lack of human resources for coordination and management. Currently, we are asking people who have been active in the company to take on these tasks, but the challenge is that the system depends on the expertise of individuals.

The challenge is that the system depends on the expertise of individuals. It is necessary to find appropriate personnel and to make it easier for them to work by improving their compensation."

"Ethical review is necessary. Currently we have our own review system in cooperation with universities in the region, but it is difficult to create a system, including getting them to cooperate with us in their busy schedules. Need to establish the value of the platform and ensure that cooperation is beneficial to academia."

"A five-year program is short for R&D results. On the other hand, if the objective is to build the platform itself, even five years will have some effect. If AMED is going to provide support for demonstration research (If AMED is going to provide support for demonstration research, we would like to see support for related stakeholders in addition to the target businesses."

"If a company is somewhat large, it will utilize its own monitors and CROs. It is important to make sense for the local government to implement this program. Right now. The high health awareness of the supporter citizens and the high quality of the panel are the reasons why companies are choosing us, even if it takes some time and effort."

"The support targets are often new evidence building (e.g., new functions) for services already on the market. Points for review vary, but particular emphasis is placed on **safety for** the general public **and** whether or not **there are benefits.** Support systems for earlier phases are also under consideration."

"When we want to increase the number of n, or when we need "national average" data, we **need horizontal cooperation of local governments in** conjunction with PHR utilization, and it would be good if there is support from the government.

It would be good to have support from the national government. On the other hand, there are only a limited number of organizations that can provide monitoring support of similar scale and quality, and it is necessary to foster the development of centers."

One community has long been engaged in a project to promote the clustering of healthcare-related industries. The main goal is to stimulate the economy and improve the welfare of citizens, but in recent years there has been a need for more results that directly benefit citizens. The health care sector is difficult because it does not immediately lead to increased tax revenues or other economic benefits."

Implications for Support Systems

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In supporting demonstration research by local governments, it is A variety of stakeholders, including academia, need to be involved, A mechanism for active cooperation by academia and others is needed

Matching support, etc. Lack of human resources for coordination and management is an issue, and it is necessary to find and train human resources

It would be good to support **horizontal collaboration among centers** to ensure the number and type of demonstration targets. At the same time Continued support is also needed for **the development of the centers themselves**

© Definition of the Overall Framework for Addressing Challenges

Insights Gained Through Analysis of Domestic and International Trends and Challenges

A

Business enterprises

- Overseas d trend
- Lack of knowledge about demonstration experiments and securing demonstration fields are issues
 - Difficulty in connecting with payers, such as municipalities and insurers, who monetize healthcare services
 - Continuous and seamless support is needed after a certain period of support in each program.
 - Continuous support is needed after a certain period of time
 - Digital services require particularly rapid commercialization. On the other hand, a wide range of expertise regulations, etc.

Business enterprises

Domestic trend

B

- Difficult to develop products that can be monetized without knowing the scientific and economic evidence required by payers Difficult to develop products that can be
 - Lack of network with academia makes pilot studies difficult
 - Difficult to develop a practical application plan that keeps pace with changes in the business environment

Service users

• about scientific and economic evidence that non-specialists can understand.

Lack of decision-making resources makes it difficult to select services

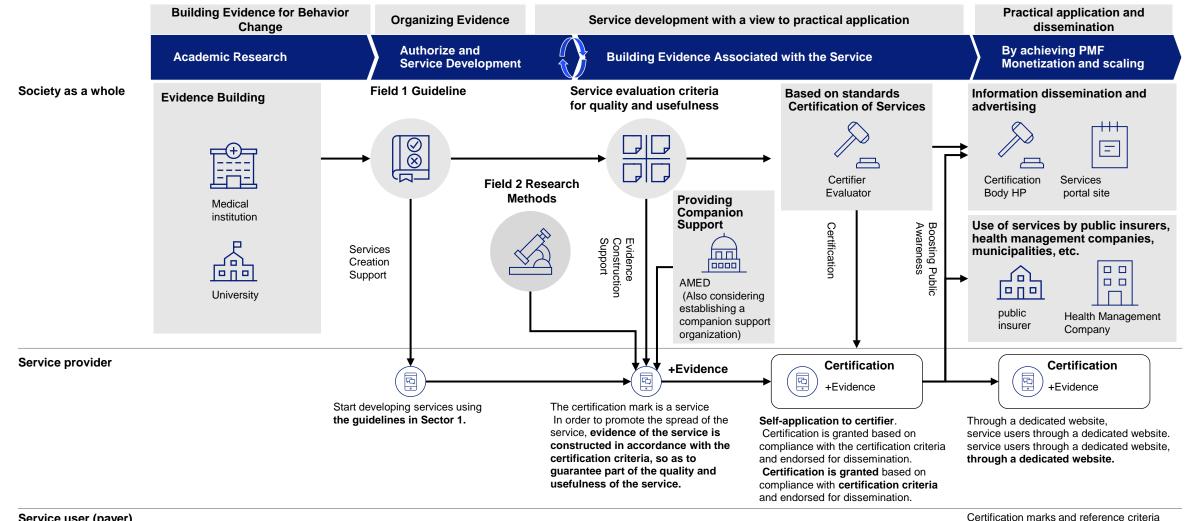
Design Concept of the Overall Framework (Details on the Next Page)

For social implementation of healthcare services A comprehensive support system should be established for social implementation of healthcare services.

The following specific support measures were considered:

- **Guideline development support**:Support will be provided for developing guidelines (Domain 1) to be referenced at the initial stage of service development
- Research methodology development support:Support will be provided for developing standardized methods to generate scientific evidence, economic impact assessments, and other metrics required by various payers
- Support for service development and evidence generation linked to services: Support will be provided for developing research methodologies (Domain 2), as well as accompaniment support for creating research and development protocols and implementation plans
- **Dissemination support:** To facilitate service adoption by payers, support will be provided by promoting the use of reference standards—such as guidelines and multidimensional value assessment tools—through measures like incorporating the guidelines into industry standards and introducing certification marks

C Plan of End-to-End Support Framework for the Social Implementation of **Healthcare Services**



(guidelines, multifaceted valuing scale, etc.) facilitate service selection

(1) For social implementation of prevention and health promotion

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seminars and consulting

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A Embedding guidelines into industry guidelines 1/2

Preceding Case

Decisions about embedding and frequency of updates

In embedding the content of the guidelines in the industry guidelines, the AMED guidelines will be introduced with an overview of the AMED guidelines and a link to the ELIFE Healthcare Navigator, where the guidelines are located. The following will be presented for each Healthcare Question (HQ).

- Target disease area
- Intervention
- Recommended strength
- Comments on recommendations
- · Comments by the institution concerned

Challenges and countermeasures for embedding include

- To avoid giving a negative tone to those withholding recommendations or those with a low level of recommendation and discouraging development, specific hints for evidence building are attached to each HQ as comments by the institution concerned.
- We have tried to describe the differences in recommendations due to the different objectives of each guideline in a single document that is easy to understand.

Regarding the frequency of updates, for the time being, we plan to update mainly the annexes at the timing of guideline updates, but the frequency will be reduced in the future.

Activities to Promote Utilization

In cooperation with related organizations, it is assumed that the following media should be used to publicize the project

- AMED-sponsored symposium
- academic conference
- Online Briefing

A Embedding the Guidelines into Industry Guidelines 2/2

Identify guidelines that are highly relevant and should be considered for collaboration with guidelines in the area of lifestylerelated diseases

Industry Association Name	Title.	Summary	Relevance to the Guidelines
Japan Health Guidance Association	Guidelines for Specific Health Guidance Services	Guidelines for providers of specific health guidance services that present relevant laws and regulatZions and items to be complied with (operation system, program quality , risk management, advertising, etc.), and checklists for items to be complied with.	Regarding program content, there are references to blood pressure and alcohol and alcohol, which is highly relevant to the guideline.
Japan Home Health Devices Association	Guidelines for Certification of Health Promotion Devices	Certification of non-medical health promotion devices based on their safety, quality, and effectiveness in promoting health. Certification based on the safety, quality, and health-promoting effects of non-medical devices.	Modalities "Exercise" and "Information Management" are covered by the certification, which can be related to the guidelines.
Japan Fitness Industry Association	FIA Member Company Facility Certification System	Provide fitness providers with standards for facility operations (e.g., monitoring, access policies) and health and safety management, and certify them based on those standards.	Modalities can work together because of the movement. However, it is a guideline for the management system and has little relevance to the guidelines.
Japan Bedding and Bedding Association	ciationProgramquality of sleep) and required evidence, hygiene functions, maintenance functions, and corporate social responsibility, and conduct certification based on the criteria.b Health Care CouncilGuidelines to be followed by sleep service providersGuidelines for sleep service providers that provide evidence of the safety and effectiveness of sleep services and compliance requirements for advertising, etc.Guidelines for sleep services and compliance requirements for advertisements, etc.Guidelines for sleep services and compliance requirements for advertisements, etc.		Modality is sleep, so they can work together. However, the outcome target of the evidence is sleep quality itself, which is not related to specific disease
Sleep Health Care Council			areas, such as the guideline low.
Sleep Innovation Platform	Guidelines for Evaluating the Efficacy of Sleep Solutions	Guidelines for sleep solution providers that outline the methods for evaluating the effectiveness of sleep solutions when developing them and points to keep in mind regarding advertisements and labeling.	
Japan Esthetic Organization	Esthetic Salon Certification Criteria	Provides standards to esthetic salon operators regarding their operational systems (hygiene management, laws and regulations, skills, protection of personal information, etc.), points to keep in mind when signing contracts, etc., and conducts certification based on the standards.	Guidelines for treatment in esthetic salons and contracting and management systems, not related to the guidelines.
Japan Esthetic Industry Association	AEA Excellent Salon System	The standards for esthetic salon operators are presented and certified based on the standards for compliance with consumers, employee working environment, content of advertisements, employee training system, and AEA certification. Environment for consumers, the content of advertisements, employee training systems, and AEA qualifications, and certify them based on the standards.	
Japan Relaxation Industry Association	Toward Quality Improvement of Health Care Services in the Relaxation Industry Voluntary Guidelines	Guidelines for relaxation service providers regarding compliance with respect to treatment content, space (facilities and equipment), communication, advertising, contracts, etc.	Guidelines for relaxation business treatment, contract and management system, not related to the guideline.
International Association of Medical Coordination Businesses	International Medical Coordination Project Guidelines	Guidelines for international medical coordination service providers to organize and comply with relevant laws and systems (e.g., dealing with recipients, dealing with medical institutions, etc.). Guidelines for international medical coordination service providers that provide information on relevant laws and regulations and systems, as well as matters to be complied with (e.g., responses to recipients, responses to medical institutions, etc.).	Guidelines for medical coordination, not related to guidelines

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B1 Selection of target diseases

In light of the target diseases for companionship support, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, and mental health were selected as priority target diseases.

Research Policy and Methodology

The purpose of this project is to examine ways to organize and disseminate artifacts that can be used in service development and selection. The purpose of this project is to examine how to organize and disseminate to be utilized in service development and service selection.

The target diseases of the accompaniment support (cardiovascular disease, diabetes, mental health), the resolution of issues during service development can be improved. Raise the resolution

Among the target diseases, priority will be given to projects adopted in FY2022 for which guidelines are being formulated.

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Projects ado	oted in 2022-5		Floit
Target disease	Fiscal year (usu. April 1 to March 31)	Adopted business	R&D Representative Organization / Adopted Group
Diabetes mellitus	2022	Research to establish appropriate evaluation of health care services aimed at preventing the onset of type 2 diabetes	Juntendo University Watada Team
Mental health	2022	Digital Health Technology Prevention Intervention Guidelines for Mental Health	Nagoya City University Enohara Group
Circulatory disease	2023	Organize evidence and develop guidelines on the effectiveness of health care services in cardiovascular disease	St. Luke's University, Mizuno Group
Fatty Liver Related Diseases	2023	Research on formulation of guidelines and system development of health care services that contribute to secondary and tertiary prevention of atherosclerotic cardiovascular diseases associated with fatty liver related diseases	The Yoshida Group, The Jikei University School of Medicine
High blood pressure	2022	Research and development of guidelines for lifelong blood pressure management using digital technology	Fukuoka University Arima Group
Renal disease	2022	Building evidence to contribute to recommendations for health care services and digital technology interventions related to the onset and progression of chronic kidney disease.	Osaka University Inosaka Group
Dementia	2022	Research for the development and dissemination of non-pharmacological treatment guidelines for reducing the risk of developing dementia, cognitive impairment, life dysfunction, BPSD, etc. Research to develop and disseminate non-pharmacological treatment guidelines for reducing the risk of developing dementia, cognitive impairment, life-style dysfunction, BPSD, etc. that can also be used by health care service users/providers based on the actual situation/needs survey.	Kochi University
Flail	2022	Guideline development study for health care services on prevention of sarcopenia and frailty	Arai Team, National Institute for Longevity Sciences
Gynecological disorder	2022	Systematic review of non-pharmacological interventions for working women's health and development of guidelines to promote women's health maintenance in the workplace.	Nomura Group, Akita University
Gynecological disorder	2022	A study on the evidence compilation of the Simplified Menopausal Index (SMI) and its relationship with labor productivity	Showa University Arima Group
Gynecological disorder	2022	Organize and develop evidence for PRO indicators of depression, anxiety and premenstrual syndrome for use in health care	Numata Village Group, Chiba University
Gynecological disorder	2023	Research and Development of Guidelines for Secondary and Tertiary Prevention of Dysmenorrhea, Premenstrual Syndrome, and Menopausal Disorders in Working Women Research and development of guidelines for secondary and tertiary prevention of dysmenorrhea	Tokyo Medical and Dental University Terauchi Team
		Cardiovascular disease, diabetes, and mental health as priority target diseases	

B2 Organizing the needs of service providers and users (payers)

Identified needs for guidelines

Interview Targets	Comment	Implications
Service provider	 It would be good to have scientific evidence to refer to when conducting evidence building tied to services. It is highly difficult for healthcare services to demonstrate clinical efficacy in RCTs and other methods when building evidence linked to services. We would like to utilize the guideline when referring to whether clinical efficacy can be indirectly demonstrated based on the "service-induced behavior change effect" constructed on the service side. 	Service providers are, Scientific tied to services evidence and want to use the guidelines to build and convince payers of the evidence
	There should be a guideline endorsed by the government/public agency to promote the service	Service users (payers) want to use
	 Physicians are negative about new private services. Scientific evidence is important to change the mindset. I would like to see ministries and academic societies issue statements on scientific evidence, etc. 	the guidelines as a criterion when selecting services. Service users (payers) want to us
Service	Unclear what to look for or criteria to use in making a purchase decision	the guideline as a decision criterio when selecting services.
User (Payer)	 The validity of behavior change is difficult for companies to determine on their own. It would be desirable to have a compilation of basic evidence (health management companies). 	
	— Service providers are ordering service providers without clarifying the scientific evidence required on the part of service users. The scientific evidence seen by health insurance associations and health management companies remains at the level of user satisfaction. ¹ Although the rate of health checkups is seen as an indicator, it is unclear what kind of preventive health promotion outcomes should be sought beyond health checkups (public insurers and health management companies).	In addition, as in the case of public insurers In the case where the target population to be followed up intensively in preventive health promotion projects is defined, it
	Need to view evidence based on specific conditions	may be easier to use the target population if they are
	 It is desirable to have evidence at the granularity of effective target-specific behavior change, rather than generalized scientific evidence for the masses (organized by age, gender, and other attributes, publicly insured). 	It may be easier to use the system if it is organized by disease, age, gender, etc.

Sources: Minutes of stakeholder MTG meetings and interviews with service providers in last year's survey

B3 Investigation of International Practices: Guideline Publication

Screen for posting guidelines at the USPSTF¹

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Development and Behavior	Published	Screening	2024	Breast Cancer: Screening	Adult, Senior	B, I	Cancer
] Infectious Diseases] Injury Prevention Mental Health Conditions and Substance Abuse Metabolic, nutritional.	Published	Counseling, Screening	2024	Prevention of Child Maltreatment: Primary Care Interventions	Adolescent, Pediatric	1	Development and Behavior, Injury Prevention, Mental Health Conditions and Substance Abuse
and Endocrine							

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(Detailed explanation of the guidelines follows below.)

1. U.S. Preventive Services Task Force

B3 Investigation of International Practices: Guideline Updates

USPSTF¹ contracted the work of drafting the guidelines to research centers called EPCs, funded by the AHRQ under the HHS umbrella

- Funded by AHRQ² (U.S. Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality) under HHS³ (Department of Health and Human Services)
- for the FY24: \$11.5M (~1.5Bn yen), FY25: +\$6.5M to \$18M (~ JPY 2.7bn⁴)
- **USPSTF** The purpose of the increase is to "support more complex evidence review and data analysis costs."

The increase will "**support 3-5 additional reviews that** will contribute to future increases in the number of guidelines."

- AHRQ also provides practical support (e.g., coordination of report preparation, promotion of deliverables).⁴
- Guideline Updated in cooperation with USPSTF and EPCs (research centers)
 - USPSTF: Preventive Medicine and Primary Care Professionals (majority clinicians) All 16 members
 - volunteer to serve on the committee
 - **EPCs** (Evidence based Practice Center):.
 - » Research center established by AHRQ for the purpose of evidence reporting
 - » Currently installed at 9 universities, medical centers, research institutions, etc. in the U.S. (Brown University, Johns Hopkins University, Mayo Clinic, etc.)
 - Here is an overview of the update process
 - USPSTF prioritizes topics that have been nominated
 - EPCs draft scientific evidence review
 - **USPSTF** drafts proposed guidelines
 - Finalized through public commentary and posted on website by USPSTF
- 1. U.S. Preventive Services Task Force

Revision

Process

- 2. Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
- 3. United States Department of Health and Human Services
- 4. Exchange rate: 1 USD = 149.9 JPY (as of March 25, 2025)
- 5. Provide assistance but do not require AHRQ or HHS approval for USPSTF activities because the USPSTF is an independent agency

Sources:USPSTF, HHS, AHRQ Website

Key points

- The scientific evidence review portion of the guideline development process is outsourced to the EPCs using AHRQ's budget.
- The evidence review-based guideline development itself was conducted by **USPSTF** members on **a volunteer basis** with assistance from AHRQ staff.

B3 Investigation of International Practices: Frequency of Guideline Updates

Guideline	Summary	Renewal Information	Implications for the Project
Recommendati ons on digital interventions for health system strengthening (WHO)	 From the degree of contribution to the health system, Recommendations for Digital Health Interventions Assumed to be used by healthcare policy makers and others to make investment decisions for digital health interventions 	 The text states that "renewal within 18-24 months is necessary to keep pace with the rapid evolution of digital health and the new evidence that accompanies it. "to keep pace with the rapid evolution of digital health and the new evidence that accompanies it. But has not been renewed since its issuance in 2019 (as of September 2024) 	 Considering the rate of technological evolution Renewal within 2 years is desirable On the other hand, it is somewhat unrealistic considering the cost of renewal, etc.
Policy for Device Software Functions and Mobile Medical Applications (FDA)	 FDA's Regulatory Policy for Software Equivalent to Medical Devices Oversight of equipment malfunctions that could jeopardize patient safety Oversight is intended for equipment that may pose a threat to patient safety due to equipment malfunction. 	 Updated approximately every 3 years (2013, 2015, 2019, 2022) Minor updates as related laws are updated, respectively (e.g., mobile app example added to appendix) 	 Considering the speed of technological evolution, is it appropriate to update digital health-related guidelines every three years? Focus is on adding new technology and evidence rather than major updates
The USPSTF Guidelines	 Recommend preventive services to be provided in primary care based on scientific evidence There are also numerous guidelines for interventions involving digital 	 All guidelines must be reviewed every 5 years in accordance with the provisions of standard practice guidelines Proposals for review can be made at any time, many being renewed in 2 or 3 years 	 Is it better to set a minimum review frequency of ~5 years, and then have a mechanism to update it as needed for shorter periods of time?

Although global policies for updating digital-related guidelines are not yet well established, there is a growing tendency to revise certain sections every 2 to 3 years, especially in rapidly evolving areas, due to the pace of technological innovation and practical considerations

B3 Complication of guidelines: from advanced overseas cases and the needs of users

Organized by disease, age, modality, etc., based on advanced overseas examples and the needs of users, and posted on the AMED website.

Advanced cases and needs of users regarding compilation of guidelines

Advanced The USPSTF and CPSTF have compiled guidelines on prevention and posted them on their websites. The main organizing points are as follows

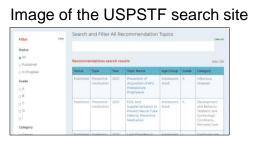
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results)

- Studies Disease, Age, and Intervention,
 - Evidence Grade,

Gender, Pregnancy status, Update status

• CPSTF:. Disease, Recommended Grade



- I want organized evidence that I can refer to when building evidence tied to services. Needs "It is difficult for a single service provider to construct large-scale, high-level evidence, and
- **Needs** "It is difficult for a single service provider to construct large-scale, high-level evidence, and it would be good if the evidence that can be referred to is organized" (service provider)
 - I would like to see a guideline endorsed by a national or public agency to promote the service.

"Evidence is important for service diffusion. I would like to see ministries and academic societies issue statements on evidence, etc". (Service provider)

• It is desirable to have a **compilation of evidence** as a basis for determining the initiatives to be implemented.

"It is difficult to analyze papers by ourselves and determine the validity of behavior change. A compilation of basic evidence is desirable" (health management companies)

• I want to see evidence **focused on specific conditions.** "Granular evidence that this behavior change is effective for this target is desirable" (public insurer)

Implications for the Project

Compile the guidelines on the AMED related website, The following items should be organized

- **Disease areas**: diabetes, heart disease, mental health, etc.
- Ages: children, adolescents, adults, elderly
- Disease status: patient, healthy
- Gender/pregnancy: male, female, pregnant
- Scientific Evidence Grade: Recommended (AD), Insufficient Evidence (I), etc.
- **Modalities**: sleep, exercise, nutrition, smoking cessation, alcohol consumption, etc.
- Intervention methods: measurement and recording, behavioral intervention through apps, online guidance, etc.

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B3 Guideline Compilation: Image of the guideline on the AMED website

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By a variety of wearable devices. interventions have a beneficial effect on blood pressure (BP) in adults?	High blood pressure	Adult	Male/ Female	l (Insuf- ficient)	Exercise, nutrition	Behaviora interventi through apps, etc
Can telemedicine and health guidance using digital technologies such as smartphone apps and short Can telemedicine and health guidance using digital technologies such as smartphone applications and short message services have a beneficial effect on blood pressure (BP) in adults?	High blood pressure	Adult	Male/Fe male	B	Exercise, nutrition	Online instructio

B4 Plan for Utilization of Deliverables

Academic societies, associations, and industry groups related to each guideline

XX Conferences where each group is considering publishing guidelines

	Diseases	;		Industry
Group ¹	Area	Academi	c Societies (AS) and Associations (Assoc.)	group
Arima group	High blood pressure	AS Japan Society of Hypertension, Japan Society of Occupational Health, Japan Society of Public Health, Japan Epidemiological Society, Japan Cardiovascular Society, Japan Stroke Society, Japan Society for Cardiovascular Disease Prevention, Japan Society of Nephrology, Japan Arteriosclerosis Society, Japan Society for the Study of Obesity, Japan Society for Nutrition Improvement, Japan Society of Physical Fitness Medicine, Japanese Society of Internal Medicine		
		Assoc.	Hypertension Association, Heart Foundation, Society for Preventive Medicine, Lifestyle Disease Prevention Association, Cardiovascular Disease Prevention Association	
Inosaka Group	CKD	AS	The Society of Nephrology, The Japanese Society of Dialysis Therapy, The Japanese Society of Peritoneal Dialysis Therapy, The Japanese Society of Internal Medicine, Japanese Society of Nephrology, Japanese Society of Nephrology Nursing, Japanese Society of Nephrology and Rehabilitation Medicine, Japanese Society of Nephrology	PSBA,
		Assoc.	Kidney Disease Association, Kidney Foundation	JaDHA, etc.
Cotton- seed squad	Diabetes mellitus	AS	Japan Diabetes Society, Japan Society for Diabetes Complications, Japan Diabetes Education and Nursing Society, the Japanese Society of Internal Medicine, the Japan Endocrine Society, and the Japan Society for the Study of Obesity, The Japan Society of Nephrology	
		Assoc.	Diabetes Association, Diabetes Foundation, Association for Preventive Medicine, Association for the Prevention of Lifestyle-related Diseases	
Enohara Group	Mental health	AS	Japan Society for Occupational Science and Technology, Japan Society for Occupational Health, Japan Society of Industrial Engineers, Japan Society of Occupational Mental Health, Japan Society of Occupational Health and Human Engineering, Japan Society of Occupational Stress, Japan Epidemiological Society, Japan Psychoneurotic Society, Japan Depression Society	
		Assoc.	Mental Health Association, EAP Association	

For academic societies and industry groups, consider not only sharing links to the guideline portal but also publishing the guidelines themselves and presenting them at relevant events

- Website links to official websites of METI, MHLW, Minds, etc. MHLW, Minds, and other official websites
- Guideline PDF posted on official website
- Presentations at conferences, symposiums and other events Presentations at events
- Publication in academic journals, newsletters, and other media distributed regularly by each organization

B5 Identification of Focus Areas and Examination of Specific Utilization Strategies

Subject of this year's study

Publicly Offered Areas ¹	Adopted Project Name	R&D Representative Organization / Adopted Group	Study Overview	
#2.1: Research on multifaceted value	Research on multifaceted value evaluation contributing to the selection of prevention and health promotion services	Imanaka Group, Kyoto University	Conducted a comprehensive and systematic review of eight subtopics related to preventive and health promotion interventions—including health outcomes and cost-effectiveness—incorporating new findings and evaluation methods. Organized and structured data items, evaluation indicators, and assessment approaches to generate insights.	
assessment (economic evaluation)	Health Care Services that Contribute to the Health Promotion of Working Women and Their Social Implementation: A Study on Multidimensional Value Evaluation	Saito Group, National Center for Global Health and Medicine		
	Development of a method for multidimensional economic evaluation of prevention and health promotion with SDGs in mind	Hashimoto Group, The University of Tokyo	Using data from previously conducted clinical trials indicators reflecting behavior change for lifestyle improvement through app-based interventions	
#2.2: Research on behavior change indicators	Research on a comprehensive socio-psychobehavioral index to assess behavioral change for prevention of lifestyle-related diseases	Ohira Team, Fukushima Medical University	app to support hypertension treatment were analyzed comprehensively. Based on this, indicators were developed to assess the practicality of behavior change, predict its effectiveness, and model user typologies	
	Research and development of an evaluation index for "digital behavior change" in lifestyle improvement	Kario Group, Jichi Medical University		
	Research on indicators to achieve continuous behavioral change for prevention of lifestyle-related diseases	Osaka University Noguchi Team		
#2.3: Research on study design	A Study on the Design and Implementation of Estimating Mean and Heterogeneous Effects of Prevention and Health Promotion Services	Kondo Group, Kyoto University	study designs for evaluating the effectiveness of preventive and health promotion programs. Based on the findings, proposed a protocol that goes beyond the limitations of traditional, rigid RCTs to enable the safe, effective, and equitable social implementation of such services. Additionally, validated the accuracy of new effectiveness evaluation methods.	
	Visualization of the research process and design flow to facilitate social implementation of healthcare services combining Personal Life Record (PLR) and professional expertise	Yamakawa Group, Osaka University		

^{1.} A public call for proposals was conducted under three thematic areas to develop new research methodologies for building evidence on prevention and health promotion

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Items implemented this year

В С **Evaluation of Services Utilizing the** Organizing Information to Facilitate the Utilization of **Technical Support for Guideline** Guidelines **Project Outputs Development** Building on concrete proposals Area 1 developed in last year's study, a final In collaboration with the Japan B1 Target diseases were determined to be cardiovascular plan was determined through **Council for Quality Health Care** disease, diabetes, and mental health stakeholder discussions, focusing on (Minds), provided technical support for guideline development through support feasibility and scalability B2 Identified and organized the needs of service providers seminars and consulting and users (payers) Specifically: **B3** Identified strategies to promote utilization, drawing on advanced international examples such as USPSTF and Development of model cases that CPSTF. integrate the guidelines into voluntary industry standards Area 2 B4 Based on the needs of service providers and users, Consideration of further measures for defined the expected outcomes for each deliverable. expansion in subsequent years Subsequently, identified potential dissemination strategies and considered utilization policies for the deliverables Specific targets for consideration were set, and concrete methods to promote utilization were examined

© Technical Assistance for Guideline Formulation : Outline of Implementation

Background and Objectives

- This project promoted research on the development of guidelines related to prevention and health promotion
- In Domain 1 of the project, technical support was provided in FY2023 for the development of guidelines in the field of prevention and health promotion
- Collaborating with organizations experienced in supporting the development of clinical practice guidelines, the project offered seminars and consulting services to assist in the guideline development process.

Details of implementation

- Provide support for research and development issues in collaboration with the Japan Institute for Health Care Excellence (Minds), and perform the following tasks:
- Holding seminars on guideline formulation, etc.
 - As a draft of the basic approach to the preparation of guidelines, etc., he presented issues and discussion points based on the discussions in the interim report, as well as an organization of the basic approach to medical practice guidelines and guidelines.
 - The draft of the basic approach to the preparation of guidelines, etc., was presented.
 - Presentation of each research project
- Consulting for guideline development
 - Participated as an observer in events related to the formulation of guidelines, etc., and collected relevant information for consulting implementation.

Collected relevant information for consulting

- As part of the support for systematization of the guideline formulation method, the following were conducted and included in the report
 - » Issues were identified through seminars and participation in relevant events
 - » Common issues were generalized where possible
 - The guideline development team extracted key concepts and terms essential for creating guidelines in the field of prevention and health promotionThese were then organized and standardized. For terms and concepts that could not yet be unified, a proposed process was outlined for defining them as issues
 - » Alongside these documents, a methodological manual for guideline development was prepared, covering topics such as COI (conflict of interest) management, recommendation formulation, and update procedures
 - » Challenges and countermeasures related to the maintenance and updating of guidelines by academic societies with limited experience in developing clinical practice guidelines were also identified and organized..

C Technical assistance for guideline development : Report on basic approach to guideline development

Structure of the Report

Background and Objectives

- Issues in Guideline Preparation
- Strategies for Addressing Challenges in Guideline Preparation

) What to do when evidence is lacking

- 2 Whether or not to create recommendations and how to express them
- 3 Management of Conflicts of Interest (COI) in Guideline Development
- 4) Unification of Basic Terms and Concepts
- Dissemination, effectiveness verification, and revision of the guidelines

Future Prospects and Challenges

What to do when evidence is lacking

3. 指針作成における課題への対応策

AMED 事業において予防・健康づくり領域の指針作成に取り組む作成者が向き合う課題 のうち、上位を占め、かつ一般化が可能であると想定される課題を以下に挙げ、それぞれに ついての対応策を提案する。

(1) エビデンスが乏しい場合の対応について

2024年3月に提案した「エビデンスに基づく予防・健康づくり領域の指針作成の基本的 な考え方」においてもすでに提案したとおり、Minds では、診療ガイドラインの定義の拡大 を受けて、予防・健康づくり領の指針作成においても、エビデンスに基づく情報提供とする ためには、基本的には診療ガイドラインの作成方法と同様に、クエスチョン設定→システマ ティックレビュー(文献検索→エビデンス評価→統合)→推奨作成の手順で行うものと捉え ている。

この理由としては、通常の診療ガイドライン作成の場合であっても、常にエビデンスが豊 富にあるわけではなく、重要臨床/健康課題として挙げ、クリニカルクエスチョン設定を行 ってもシステマティックレビューを経た明示的な推奨作成に繋がらないケースもあるから である。さらには、明示的な推奨提示が行えないとしても、エビデンスの収集・評価・統合 の結果とそれらに基づく診療ガイドライン作成者の総意を示すことが重要な情報提供とな り、次の改訂に向けたステップとなり、特に、開拓的課題である予防・健康づくり領域のエ ビデンス創出に向けての重要な取り組みとなると考える。

したがって、エビデンスが乏しい場合の対応としては、いったん重要健康課題として定め てクエスチョン設定を行った際には、可能な範囲のシステマティックレビュー(文献検索・ 評価・統合)を進め、システマティックレビューが完遂できず、推奨提示が困難な状況であ っても、その作成プロセスを記録し、現時点での作成者の総意をまとめ、その一連の状況を 指針内に示し、指針の利用者のみならず、研究者等にも広く共有することが求められる。 【指針作成の基本プロセスと留意事項】

STEP 1 重要健康課題設定・スコープ作成・クエスチョン設定

→系統的な手法を用いて回答(推奨)を提示すべき重要な健康上の課題を吟味して定める

STEP 2 システマティックレビュー

→可能な範囲の文献検索・評価・統合を行い、そのプロセスを記録し明示する

STEP 3 推奨作成

→推奨の明示に至らない場合は、その理由と討議内容を明示する

Unification of Basic Terms and Concepts

(4) 基本用語・基本概念の統一について

予防・健康づくり領域の指針作成において、従来の診療ガイドライン関連用語・基本概 念に加えて、新たに取り扱われ、導入される事項のうち、頻度高く利用される可能性があ る用語・概念については予め共通認識を築いた上で、概念や用語の内容整理を図り、可能 な場合には定義を作成し共有を図ることが求められる。以下に、新規に導入される可能性 のある用語の一例を取り上げる。

- ・ デジタルヘルス(Digital Health)
- ・ モバイルヘルス (mHealth)
- 遠隔医療・遠隔健康管理(Telemedicine / Telehealth)
- ・ デジタルセラピューティクス(DTx: Digital Therapeutics)
- ・ ウェアラブルデバイス(Wearable Devices)
- ・ パーソナルヘルスレコード (PHR: Personal Health Record)
- ・ ナッジ (Nudge)
- ・ ヘルスリテラシー(Health Literacy)
- プレシジョン・メディシン (Precision Medicine)

上記の用語候補については、現在作成されつつある予防・健康づくり領域の指針の内容お よび今後新たに作成される指針の内容に併せて調整することが求められる。さらに、用語や 概念の定義づけについては、作成団体(学会)関連団体、業界団体とともに共通認識を築け るよう、合意形成を図っていくことが望まれる。

【新規用語/概念の定義づけに求められるプロセス】



一方、従来、診療ガイドライン作成において用いられてきた基本概念や関連用語につい ても、子防・健康づくり領域の指針作成と併せ、概念および用語の確認と必要に応じた再 整理を行うことが望まれる。とりわけ、診療ガイドラインの関連用語として 2021 年に発 行された「診療ガイドライン作成マニュアル 2020」において取り上げられている診療ガイ ドライン関連用語には、子防・健康づくり領域の枠組みが十分に組み入れられていないた

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(1) For social implementation of prevention and health promotion

(2) Study on the Social Implementation of Research Outcomes from the Healthcare Social Implementation Infrastructure Development Project

(3) Accompaniment Support for Selected Projects under the Health and Medical Information Utilization Technology Development Program

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Overall picture of objectives and implementation items

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Support for practical application Trial for research and development	Formulation of companion support policy	Design of implementation policy and preparation of research plan Support	Implementation of accompaniment support	Health Care Development Support and accompany- ment support Organizing and discussing issues
Identification of issues for practical application programs and suggestions for future business design	Schedule Planning: Developed by backcasting from key milestones Approach Development: Identified challenges faced by researchers at each stage toward social implementation and formulated a draft support policy accordingly.	Current State Analysis: Identified the stage of progress toward social implementation and associated challenges based on application documents and interviews with researchers Design of Individual Accompaniment Support Policies:Formulated based on the findings from the current state analysis	Support will be provided to ensure that implementation and research plans to be submitted by the project participants to AMED are completed by the end of March 2025.	
		Support for Developing Research Plan Templates	\$	was developed, and key issues were outlined.

A Formulation of Accompaniment Support Policies for Five Private Companies as Potential Model Cases of Evidence-Based Healthcare Service Implementation

Adoption Criteria

- Developers of health apps, etc. (private companies only)
- Plan to realize commercialization (monetization) within 3 years after the end of the support
- Non-SaMD,

Development is completed (or expected to be completed) and there is scientific evidence of certain usefulness.

Outline of Adopted Proposals					
Company Name	Adopted subject	Summary Developed and commercialized an application that visualize the risk of pregnancy complications based on the knowledge of BMI change and promotes weight loss motivation.			
issin	Research and development for practical application of health apps and other products to prevent pregnancy complications				
Fvital Inc.	Research and development on an infant development support application that detects early signs of ESSENCE in children with	By combining the SDQ questionnaire with video analysis technology, a next-generation developmental assessment system can be developed.			
	developmental disabilities	SDQ questionnaire and video analysis technology, we have developed a method of utilizing a next-generation developmental assessment system.			
Oishi Kenko Inc.	Research and Development for Practical Application of Diabetes Prevention by	Targeting those who do not implement or complete specific health guidance			
	Personalized Health Support Apps	Practical application of a preventive DX solution for insurers			

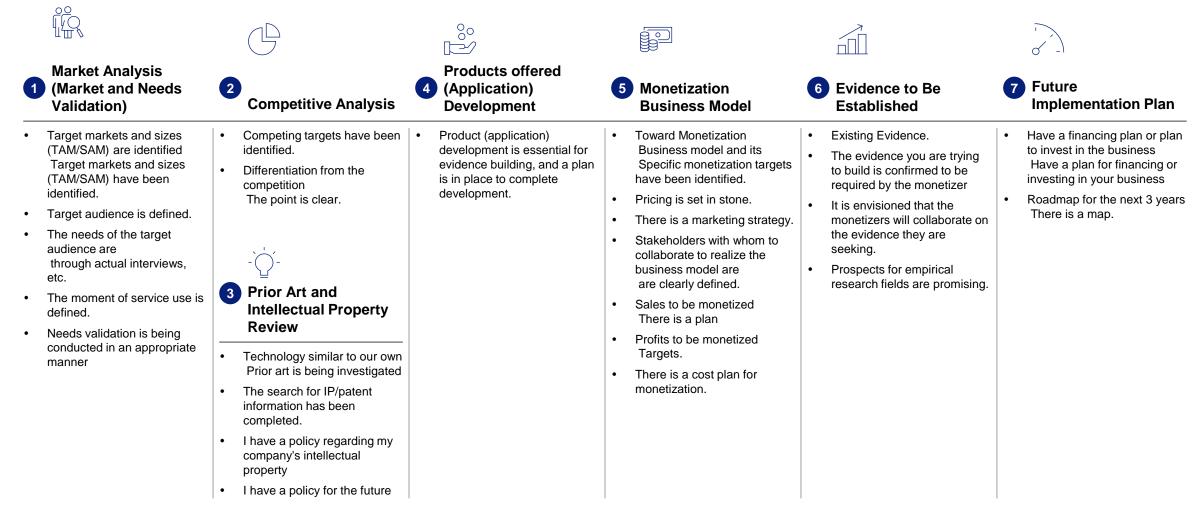
Responding to Lifestyle Diversity

Practical application of a preventive DX solution for insurers that provides lifestyle improvement and weight loss support through an app

KOGASOFTWARE Research and development on prevention of Developed an application that records PHR (number of steps, Inc. severe lifestyle-related diseases using weight, blood pressure, exercise, diet, etc.) of patients with nonSaMD health app that self-manages PHR lifestyle-related diseases and provides lifestyle improvement and enables EIM support in terms of information linkage with doctors and exercise. **ORSO Inc.** Research and Development of Early Developed "Digital Therapy" application, a system that Intervention Treatment for Children with ASD enables efficient implementation of parenting CBT Using Parenting Cognitive Behavioral Therapy "Behavioral Live Praise Method" at home.

B Definition of an Ideal Implementation Plan

Each company should aim to have the following items addressed by the time the implementation plan is finalized



B Monetization and Business Model: Examples of Evidence Sought by Potential Payers (for Reference)

Service provider (B)	Payer (B) *Following is an example of a payer	User (C)
	Municipality Effectiveness tied to municipal health policies/Use for PFS ^{1*} (e.g., normalization of blood pressure in specific health checkups, optimization of hospitalization medical costs, increase in average exercise time of residents, etc.)	
Contribute to behavior change interventions digital health	Effects tied to health management outcomes (e.g., increase in the ratio of employees' exercise habits, increase in labor productivity, decrease in turnover and absence rates, etc.)	Impact on behavior and health (e.g., increased frequency of moderate-intensity
Provision of care services	Insurer Health Economic Effects (e.g., reduction of disease events, optimization of medical costs, secondary medical checkup rate increase, etc.)	exercise, Dietary and nutritional management, etc.)
	Medical institution Improved business efficiency (e.g., medical and rehabilitation support, etc.)	

© Implementation Plan Development Through Accompaniment Support

Summary and results of this year's companion support for the formulation of a practical application plan

Details provided later in this document

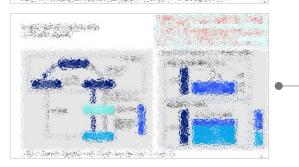
Outline of Support

- Define what the commercialization plan should look like: - Detail the elements that should be included in the commercialization plan (see previous page)
 Define in detail the elements that should be included in the commercialization plan (see previous page)
- Based on each company's assessment Support Policy Decision: Based on
 - Comparison and evaluation of each company's study status with the ideal practical application plan
 - Identify areas of lack of study and determine support policy
- Plan elaboration through individual regular meetings:.
 - Each company ~4 times set up for discussion
 - Discussion on major issues based on support policy, provision of necessary information, organization of next steps, etc.
- Learning from the creation support was prepared as a "Practical Application Plan Development Guide".

Outcome of Support







Survey target customers to understand their needs, scale of interest in services offered, segments with high interest, and willingness to pay and willingness to pay to refine **the business model and pricing.**

Refine business model and pricing

After establishing strong relationships with the original monetizers, we interviewed other monetizers to identify their needs and evidence to build upon.

Identify needs and evidence to build upon, Establish a **business** plan for **monetization**

Based on the realistic number of customers, calculate the price that will ensure profitability, and refine the **monetization destination and business model. Elaboration**

C Learning from Accompanying Support and Design Ideas for the Next Term and Beyond

Learning from this year's project (issues to be addressed through the initiative)

- Existence of issues in adoption
 - It is difficult to determine if the product phase is in the phase that the business is targeting, or if it can be profitable in the future.
 - Active involvement of top management in the business is necessary
- A support period of less than one year is not sufficient
 - In operating companies, there are few connections with academia to conduct demonstrations, and it takes time to find them
 - Demonstrations take time and are difficult to conduct in a one-year project.
- Difficult to create R&D protocols and commercialization plans alone
 - Because of the need for expertise that differs from normal operations, R&D protocol support by PSPO and support for business planning from a third-party perspective are required. Expert assistance in formulating a commercialization plan is necessary.
- The formulation of a practical application plan needs to be done with a sense of speed.
 - Given the changing business environment, it is not advisable to wait too long to develop a commercialization plan.
 - It is not a good idea to take too long to formulate a
 - commercialization plan given the changing business environment.

Design concept for next fiscal year and beyond (details next page)

• **Clarification of conditions for adoption:** coordination of R&D system, clarification of role assignment, active involvement of the principal investigator, preparation of prototypes, and the demonstration research field to be determined or expected to be determined at the time of the proposal.

The field of the demonstration research was confirmed or expected to be confirmed at the time of the proposal.

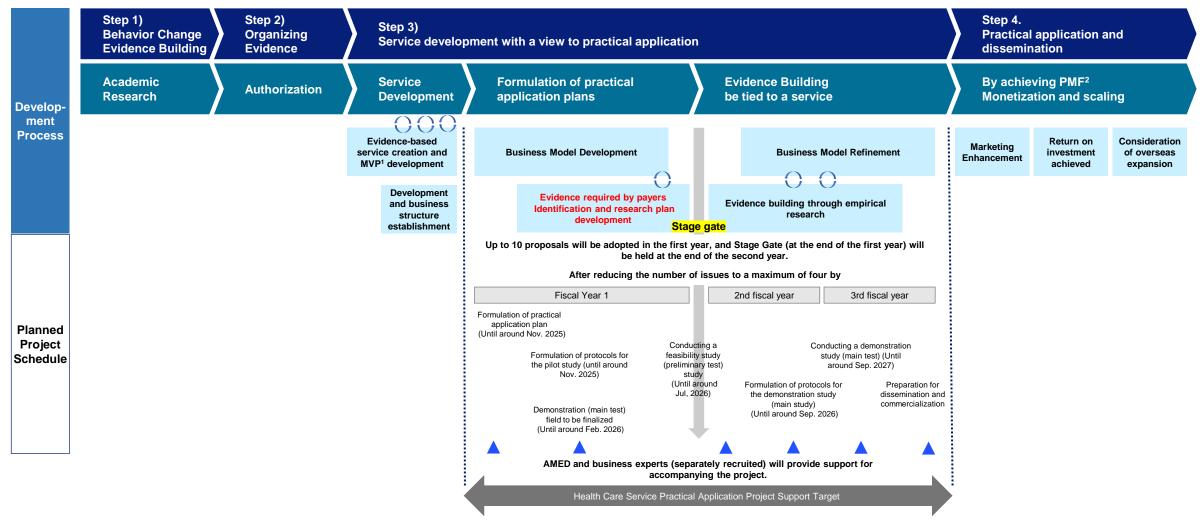
- Longer-term support and stage-gating for appropriate targets:.
 - Adopt a larger number of proposals (up to 10) initially and then set a stage gate at the end of the first year.
 - Stage-Gate requires the completion of a practical application plan and

clarification of its elements as a prerequisite.

- The top 4 (maximum number) of all proposals in the stage gate will be eligible for support in the 2nd and 3rd years. (maximum number) of all proposals at the stage gate will be eligible for support in the 2nd and 3rd years.
- This reduces mismatch risk and provides long-term assistance to appropriate targets
- Assistance provided by PSPO and business experts:.
 - Provide R&D protocol support and accompaniment support
 - Assistance in formulating a practical application plan is expected to take about 3-4 months.

D Planned Project Design for the Next Fiscal Year and Beyond

Scope of Support and Project Schedule Schedule



- 1. MVP: Abbreviation for Minimum Viable Product. An initial version that implements only basic functionality in order to obtain feedback from users
- 2. PMF: Product-Market Fit. A situation in which a product or service matches the needs and expectations of the target market and strong market demand has been confirmed

D Reference: Implementation Plan Guide Based on Lessons Learned Through Accompaniment Support

- This plan is intended not only for the purposes of the "Research and Development Infrastructure Project for the Social Implementation of Prevention and Health Promotion," but also to be applicable in a wide range of contexts, including future business presentations to investors.
- In this project, the "Implementation Plan" is defined as a concrete description of the timeline and process by which the selected entities will pursue commercialization.
- Based on this, a guideline has been developed outlining seven key items to be addressed within the Implementation Plan. Drawing on common pitfalls identified through accompaniment support, the guideline serves as a checklist to help improve the likelihood of successful implementation.
- For each item, the guideline provides drafting principles (purpose, writing tips, and points to note), an illustrative example of the expected deliverable (see diagram on the right), and additional reference information.

