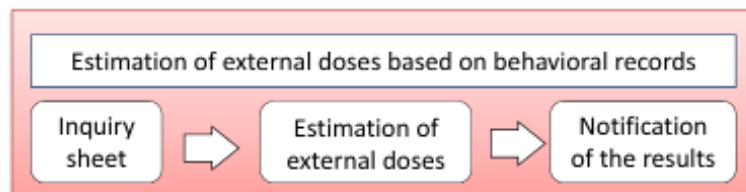


A survey to obtain data that is to serve as the basis for monitoring and protecting residents' health

In order to estimate external doses, individuals were asked to keep and submit a record of their behavior.

Based on collected behavioral records for the four months from March 11 to July 11, 2011, each individual's external dose was estimated using the External Dose Estimation System developed by the National Institute of Radiological Sciences.

[Survey scheme]



Estimated results and the period for estimation are reported to participating individuals to let them know their own external doses, and at the same time, the obtained data are utilized in the Detailed Surveys and individuals' health management to be continued for the long term.

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The Basic Survey was commenced for the purpose of estimating the level of external doses of the residents of Fukushima Prefecture based on the records of their behavior, informing them of the estimation results individually, and thereby promoting and maintaining the health of the prefectural residents, in light of the effect of radiation due to the accident at Tokyo Electric Power Company (TEPCO)'s Fukushima Daiichi NPS, which occurred following the Great East Japan Earthquake.

Specifically, inquiry sheets were delivered to the applicable residents to ask them to record their behavior during the four months after the accident. Based on the behavioral records entered in the inquiry sheets, individuals' external doses were estimated using a program developed by the National Institute of Radiological Sciences. The four months after the accident, which is the targeted period of the Basic Survey, is the period during which ambient dose rates were the highest, and it is most important to determine people's external doses during this period.

Individuals' estimated external doses were compiled and statistically processed, and have been utilized for analyzing radiation exposure and its health effects in Fukushima Prefecture.

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