Mental Health and Lifestyle Survey: Purpose

"We will promote the mental and physical health of residents of the Evacuation Areas, etc."

Fukushima Prefecture has been conducting the Mental Health and Lifestyle Survey with the aim of accurately ascertaining the mental and physical problems of residents who have been facing difficulties due to the Great East Japan Earthquake and the accident at Tokyo Electric Power Company (TEPCO)'s Fukushima Daiichi NPS in order to provide them with proper health, medical and welfare services, and also handing down to future generations accumulated knowledge on better mental care in an emergency or in the event of a natural disaster.

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Many of the residents whose houses are located in municipalities designated as Evacuation Areas were forced to evacuate and live as refugees for a prolonged period of time. They have experienced drastic changes in their living environment and must have been forced to change their individual lifestyles as well. In order to carefully watch not only the physical disorders but also mental problems of these residents and offer them appropriate support and build a better system, Fukushima Prefecture has been conducting the Mental Health and Lifestyle Survey.

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