

Year term	Reports
1992	Several discussions were held following the submission to the Health and Welfare Ministry of the project book for the 「Overseas Nurse Training Support Program」. It was covered by the Nursing Division, the Project Ordinance Division and the General Affairs Division of the Health and Welfare Ministry - Health Policy Bureau.
1993	On November 22nd, project approval was given by the Health and Welfare Ministry (permit number 308), under the following conditions, among others: 1. Training of Graduate (Registered) Nurses. 2. Guarantee from Preliminary Education to Home-coming. 3. Recognition by the Social Republic of Vietnam of the National Diploma of Nursing acquired in Japan. 4. Number of trainees should be less than 200 and a few dozen. Discussions with the Health and Welfare Ministry started, premised on those conditions, . • With the cooperation of Mr. Masahide Kashiwado, Administrative Director of the Kashiwado Hospital located in the city of Chiba, an explanatory session of the present program was held, gathering 30 hospitals but in the end, the program started with 5 hospitals.
1994	• Conclusion of an Agreement with the Social Republic of Vietnam - Department of Labor, Invalids and Social Affairs. • Conclusion of an Agreement with the Social Republic of Vietnam - Department of Education and Training, regarding the Japanese Language Education. Opening of the "AHP Hanoi Japanese Language Center" inside the Vietnam First Executives Training Institution. • Starting of a Project Cooperation with the Social Republic of Vietnam - Ministry of Health • Ministry of Health - International Medical Cooperation • Starting of First-term students' applications by the Ministry of Health. • September, starting of the Preliminary Education in the Hanoi Japanese Language Center. • On February 23rd, a notice "on points to consider about the sending to and studies overseas of foreign students in nurse training facilities" was delivered by the Health and Welfare Ministry - Health Policy Bureau to the attention of each governor. In the notice's contents were incorporated clauses prohibiting special treatments at the time of school entrance's screenings as well as those the setting number of students to receive from overseas.
1995	September, starting of the Preliminary Education in Hanoi for the Second-term students.
1996	• The 31 First-term students came to Japan, but failing to examinations, all came back to their home country. The joined the Second-term students to make a new try. • The Japanese Proficiency Test started being conducted in Hanoi, Vietnam. (The Test has been administered in Bangkok up to previous year-term.)
1997	• 16 among 30 students were selected for going to Japan to sit for examinations, and 4 First-term students passed successfully. They became the first Vietnamese nurse students overseas. • 3 students were selected among those who failed, and came to Japan to learn in Japanese language schools and preparatory schools in the Tokyo Metropolitan Prefecture.
1998	• 1 among the 3 Second-term students passed the entrance examination for the Chiba College of Health Science.
1999	• Designing a curriculum in consideration to the schools of nursing's entrance examinations, students work on strategies to sit for those from the Preliminary Education in Hanoi. • 10 Third-term students came to Japan and all passed examinations.
2000	• The 4 First-term students attended the Graduation Ceremony. 1 of them gave the address in reply as valedictorian. • 12 Fourth-term students passed, with a first time success to the entrance examination of a university's medical department nursing division (Gunma University). • School-leaver for the first time. Loss of self-confidence as a nurse, as the Nurse Celebration Ceremony day was getting closer
2001	• 14 Fifth-term students came to Japan and all passed entrance examinations to national and public schools. 4 students were admitted to national vocational schools and 4 to national 4-year colleges: Nagasaki University attached and Tokushima University attached vocational schools; Nagoya and Osaka 4-year colleges.
2002	• 7 Sixth-term students came to Japan, all passed. 1 among them left school and came back to the home country in June for personal reasons.
2003	• 6 Seventh-term students came to Japan, 4 passed.
2004	• 7 Eighth-term students came to Japan, 7 passed. • The 4 First-term students came back after 4 years of working induction training (1 among them married and currently lives in Japan, and another 1 came to Japan anew to access Graduate College and passed)
2005	• The 3 Second-term students came back after 4 years of working induction training (1 among them delayed the acquirement of the National Examination and continued training to come back to following
2006	• 4 Seventh-term students all graduated, and passed the National Examination of Nursing. • The 8 Third-term students completed the 4 years of working induction training as nurses. • On March 30th, the Immigration Regulation Standard Ministerial Ordinance was partially revised, setting the duration of stay for graduated (registered) nurses to 7 years.

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•The Fourth-term students completed their working induction training. With visa extension, they were given a wider choice of career options.

•The 6 Eighth-term students all graduated. 1 student has to repeat a year of school.

Total number of participants of the Preliminary Education in Hanoi: 174

Number of students coming to Japan to take examinations: 112

Number of students abroad: 61 (successful candidates for vocational schools, junior colleges, colleges of nursing)

Number of school-leavers: 5

Total number of nurses abroad: 56

Total number of registered nurses: 55, total number of students currently studying overseas: 1

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