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Findings on Internal Medicine Reported by Investigators at University of Tokyo (An Evaluation of Clinical Economics and Cases of Cost-effectiveness)

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By a News Reporter-Staff News Editor at Obesity, Fitness & Wellness Week -- New research on Health and Medicine - Internal Medicine is the subject of a report. According to news reporting originating from Tokyo, Japan, by NewsRx editors, the research stated, "In order to maintain and develop a universal health insurance system, it is crucial to utilize limited medical resources effectively. In this context, considerations are underway to introduce health technology assessments (HTAs), such as cost-effectiveness analyses (CEAs), into the medical treatment fee system."

Our news editors obtained a quote from the research from the University of Tokyo, "CEAs, which is the general term for these methods, are classified into four categories, such as cost-effectiveness analyses based on performance indicators, and in the comparison of health technologies, the incremental cost-effectiveness ratio (ICER) is also applied. When I comprehensively consider several Japanese studies based on these concepts, I find that, in the results of the analysis of the economic performance of healthcare systems, Japan shows the most promising trend in the world."

According to the news editors, the research concluded: "In addition, there is research indicating the superior cost-effectiveness of Rituximab against refractory nephrotic syndrome, and it is expected that health economics will be actively applied to the valuation of technical innovations such as drug discovery."

For more information on this research see: An Evaluation of Clinical Economics and Cases of Cost-effectiveness. *Internal Medicine*, 2018;57(9):1191-1200. *Internal Medicine* can be contacted at: Japan Soc Internal Medicine, 34-3 3-Chome Hongo Bunkyo-Ku, Tokyo, 113, Japan. (Wiley-Blackwell - www.wiley.com/ (<http://www.wiley.com/>); Internal Medicine - onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/ (<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/>)(ISSN)1445-5994)

The news editors report that additional information may be obtained by contacting T. Takura, University of Tokyo, Grad Sch Med, Dept. of Healthcare Econ & Hlth Policy, Tokyo, Japan (see also [Health and Medicine - Internal Medicine](#) (<http://www.newsrx.com/search/topics/Health+and+Medicine+++Internal+Medicine>)).

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