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National Center for Geriatrics and Gerontology

Sompo Holdings, Inc.

Comprehensive Alliance Agreement Concluded

The National Center for Geriatrics and Gerontology (NCGG) (President Kenji Toba) and Sompo Holdings, Inc. (Group CEO & President: Kengo Sakurada, hereinafter “Sompo Holdings”) announced today that they have concluded a comprehensive agreement alliance for the purpose of promoting mental and physical independence among the elderly and contributing to the realization of a healthy longevity society by conducting various research and other activities related to promoting health for elderly people on issues such as dementia.

1. Background and objective

NCGG was established in 2004 as a national center for advanced and specialized medicine in Japan for protecting the health of the public in unity with national health policy. It serves as an institute for research and treatment of dementia and other gerontology-related matters in Japan. The center has played a leading role in dementia research, including the establishment of the Orange Registry system for recording dementia information and the development of cognitive for preventing dementia.

Sompo Holdings is expanding its business activities into the nursing care and other domains, from its core insurance businesses operated by Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Insurance Inc., founded in 1888, and Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Himawari Life Insurance, Inc., established in 1981. Under the Group’s medium-term management plan that started in fiscal 2016, the Group is working to realize its management philosophy of “We will strive to contribute to the security, health, and wellbeing of our customers and society as a whole by providing insurance and related services of the highest quality possible.” To achieve this, the Group aims to build a “theme park for the security, health and wellbeing of customers.”

Through wide ranging research into the mental and physical changes that accompany aging, such as dementia, the two organizations will combine NCGG’s insight and experience with Sompo Holdings’ customer feedback and various data acquired through its insurance and nursing care operations. Their goal is to reduce the ordinary risk of traffic accidents and so forth for elderly people, promote their mental and physical independence, and contribute to the realization of a healthy longevity society.

2. Main Initiatives

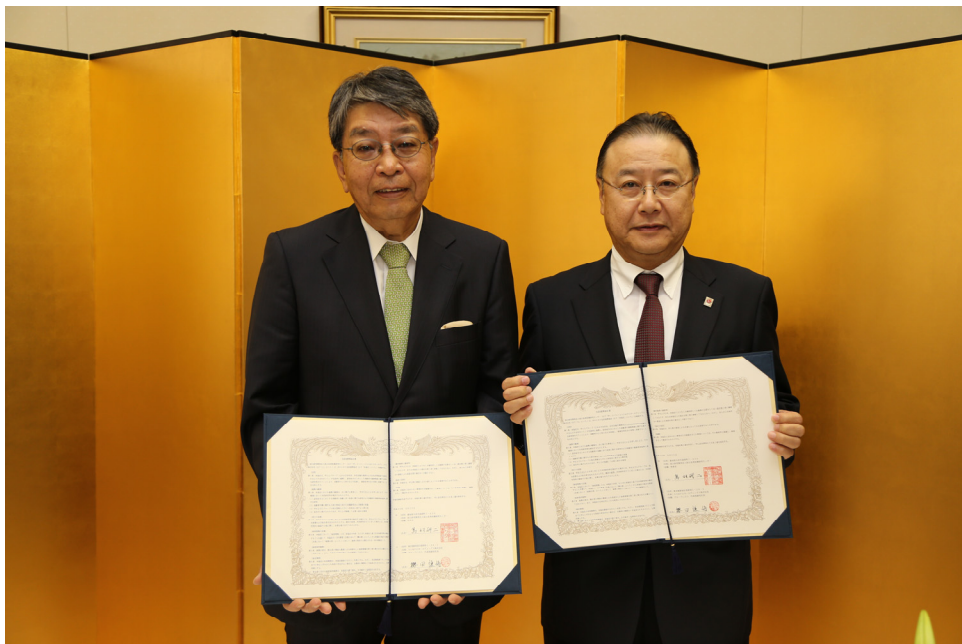
The two organizations plan to focus their efforts mainly on the following fields

- (1) Research on diseases associated with aging of elderly people, such as dementia, and research that contributes to extending their healthy longevity
- (2) Conduct various research and training for development of human resources related to elderly nursing care
- (3) Personnel exchanges for deepening understanding between both organizations and human resource development

3. Outlook

Through this comprehensive alliance agreement, both organizations will examine and conduct research and development that will contribute to extending the driving years of the elderly and preventing accidents involving them, and improving the quality of nursing care services for elderly dementia sufferers. By providing the results to the wider public, they aim to achieve a sustainable society.

The signing ceremony for the alliance agreement on September 22, 2017



Left: President Kenji Toba of NCGG

Right: Group CEO & President Kengo Sakurada of Sampo Holdings