

H.C.R.2025 Bulletin: Day 2 --- Thursday, October 9th, Cloudy

We enjoyed attendance of larger number of visitors and experienced the front lines of welfare and caregiving!

Here is the preliminary number of visitors for the 2nd day.

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Thursday, October 9 41,587 Visitors / Weather: Cloudy

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* Breakdown of visitors by trade will be promptly reported after the exhibition.

The following shows the cumulative number of visitors for 2 days.

Date	Weather	# of Visitors	Cumulative Total
Oct. 8 (Wed)	Sunny	40,805	—
Oct. 9 (Thu)	Cloudy	41,587	82,392

On the second day, attendance by wheelchair users increased significantly. Across Hall 2, a diverse array of mobility devices and accessible vehicles was on display. Visitors were seen test-driving equipment and engaging in enthusiastic discussions and information exchange with manufacturers.

Due to AI solutions to address labor shortages in the caregiving sector, ICT-based labor-saving and efficiency of technologies, transfer assistance robots, and consideration of introducing sensor-linked monitoring systems, etc. and gathering information, visits from companies and facility operators are increasing.

Over 50 overseas exhibitors from 10 countries and 1 region are participating, and the number of overseas companies opening agency booths and Japanese subsidiaries exhibiting is also increasing. Furthermore, attendance from overseas, particularly from Asia, and group tours have increased compared to last year, drawing significant international attention.

The severe shortage of personnel in the caregiving field is a critical challenge. At the “Social Welfare Student Heroes in H.C.R. 2025” event hosted by the Shakaifukushihoujin Keieisha Kyogikai (Social Welfare Corporation Management Association), selected high school, vocational school, and university students presented their practical welfare and caregiving activities. The young participants' passionate commitment to welfare and sincere dedication moved the large audience surrounding the stage, who responded with applause expressing both admiration and encouragement.

At the “Play Experience Corner” in the “Kids' Square”, children with disabilities could be seen playing on the equipment and using standing aids to move about joyfully, shouting with delight, while their families watched warmly. This was all under the guidance of specialists such as OT (occupational therapists) and PT (physical therapists).

Tomorrow, the 10th, will be the final day. We look forward to seeing you at the site!



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