

September 29, 2022 Keio University

KGRI 2040 International Symposium "Is Health Distributed Equally? – Global Aging, Healthy Aging –" (October 20, 2022)

The Extending Healthy Life Expectancy Project Team, Keio University Global Research Institute (KGRI) will hold an international symposium "Is Health Distributed Equally? – Global Aging, Healthy Aging –" on October 20, 2022 at 7:00 pm (JST). This symposium will bring together specialists from Japan and England to discuss social inequalities regarding health and its impact on healthy aging. We kindly request you to share this information with those who may be interested, and coverage of the event.

■Outline

- Date and time: Thursday, October 20, 2022 19:00-20:30 (JST)
- Place: Online (Zoom)
- Host: The Extending Healthy Life Expectancy Project Team, Keio University Global Research Institute (KGRI)
- · Language: English (English-Japanese simultaneous interpretation is available)
- Participation fee: Free
- URL: https://www.kgri.keio.ac.jp/en/news-event/131970.html

■ Content

Everyone can and should have access to health equally. Are we living in such a society, or is it a mere illusion? As the country with the highest proportion of elderly citizens in the world, we should reconsider whether health has been distributed equally to people in Japan through policies and social structure, in order to tackle the challenges of an aging society.

At this symposium, we will be joined by Professor Katsunori Kondo from Chiba University the author of the book Health Gap Society – What Undermines Mind and Health (2nd ed. Igaku-Shoin), which was published in June this year. Professor Kondo specializes in social epidemiology and health policy, and the topic of his lecture at the symposium will include the social determinants of health and its mechanisms. In addition, we will have the insights of Dr. Daniel Holman from the University of Sheffield, England, who specializes in social sciences especially with respect to health inequality.

These two experts in the field will discuss the impact of health inequality on an aging society and the urgent challenges from the dual perspectives of Japan and England. This symposium will provide deeper insights and awareness for all those who are interested in health inequality and the social challenges of aging society.

■Program

- 1. Opening remarks
- 2. Lecture: Professor Katsunori Kondo (Professor, Center for Preventive Medical Sciences, Chiba University; Head, Department of Gerontological Evaluation, Center for Gerontology and Social Science, National Center for Geriatrics and Gerontology; President, Japan Agency for Gerontological Evaluation Study [JAGES])

3. Discussion/Q&A

Discussion commentator :

Dr. Daniel Holman (Lecturer, Healthy Lifespan Institute; Department of Sociological Studies, The University of Sheffield)

■Registration: Please register online via the following URL: <u>https://forms.gle/GoufjrjCWsDWUAk79</u> (Closes on October 17, 2022)

*Note: The Zoom link will be sent to the email address you used in the online registration at least two days prior to the event.

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