November 6, 2020

Results of Operations for the First Half of the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2021 (April 1, 2020 to September 30, 2020)



(Tokyo Stock Exchange, First Section / Stock code: 3341)

# Financial Highlights

### Consolidated Statement of Income

Net sales grew 4.4% YoY on a robust performance in pharmaceutical manufacturing and sales. Operating profit slid 31.8%, but this significantly exceeded the initial forecast thanks to company-wide cost cutting.

(Millions of yen)	1H FY3/19 Results	1H FY3/20 Results	1H FY3/21 Initial Forecast	1H FY3/21 Revised Forecast (Sep. 23)	1H FY3/21 Results	Change Vs. Initial Forecast	Change Vs. Revised Forecast
Net Sales	118,694	130,297	138,895	135,000	135,999	(2,895)	999
Cost of Sales	99,267	107,858	117,469	112,100	112,726	(4,742)	626
Gross profit	19,427	22,439	21,426	22,900	23,272	1,846	372
% to sales	16.4%	17.2%	15.4%	17.0%	17.1%		
SG&A expenses	17,880	18,373	21,065	20,600	20,498	(567)	(101)
% to sales	15.1%	14.1%	15.2%	15.3%	15.1%		
Consumption taxes	6,499	6,890	8,534		9,109	574	_
R&D expenses	1,289	1,372	1,698		1,349	(348)	
Operating profit	1,547	4,066	361	2,300	2,774	2,413	474
% to sales	1.3%	3.1%	0.3%	1.7%	2.0%		
Ordinary profit	1,265	4,001	249	2,200	2,665	2,415	465
% to sales	1.1%	3.1%	0.2%	1.6%	2.0%		
Profit attributable to owners of parent	744	2,094	(51)	1,000	1,555	1,606	555
% to sales	0.6%	1.6%		0.7%	1.1%		
Net income per share (Yen) Note	23.39	69.85	(1.70)	33.35	51.89	53.59	18.54

Note: On April 1, 2020, the Company conducted a two-for-one stock split of common stock.

Net income per share has been calculated as if this stock split had taken place at the beginning of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2019.

### **Consolidated Balance Sheet**

The main asset changes were a 4.1 billion yen increase in merchandise and finished goods, a 2.7 billion drop in accounts receivable-trade, and a 1.6 billion decline in cash and deposits.

The main liability changes were a 3.1 billion yen decline in income taxes payable and a 1.8 billion increase in accounts payable trade.

(Millions of yen)	End of Sep. 2019 (1H FY3/20)	End of Mar. 2020 (FY3/20)	End of June 2020 (1H FY3/21)	YoY change	YoY change (%)
Current assets	81,586	87,414	87,885	471	0.5%
Non-current assets	97,748	98,137	96,855	(1,282)	(1.3%)
Property, plant and equipment	69,212	66,082	65,150	(932)	(1.4%)
Intangible assets	16,669	19,425	19,186	(239)	(1.2%)
Investments and other assets	11,865	12,628	12,518	(110)	(0.9%)
Total assets	179,334	185,551	184,741	(810)	(0.4%)
Current liabilities	67,680	70,107	71,232	1,124	1.6%
Non-current liabilities	68,849	68,370	65,244	(3,126)	(4.6%)
Total liabilities	136,530	138,478	136,476	(2,002)	(1.4%)
Total net assets	42,804	47,072	48,264	1,191	2.5%
Shareholders' equity	42,799	47,072	48,264	1,191	2.5%
Equity ratio	23.9%	25.4	26.1%		_

## Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

Cash flows from investing activities continued to see low spending following the peaking in capital expenditures in pharmaceutical manufacturing and sales.

(Millions of yen)	1H FY3/19	1H FY3/20	1H FY3/21	YoY change
Cash flows from operating activities	3,936	9,866	2,434	(7,431)
Profit before income taxes	1,417	3,745	2,662	(1,082)
Depreciation	2,968	3,036	3,064	27
Amortization of goodwill	718	730	868	137
Decrease (increase) in trade receivables	2,187	342	2,903	2,560
Decrease (increase) in inventories	(5,994)	(2,281)	(4,847)	(2,566)
Increase (decrease) in trade payables	4,774	5,889	2,496	(3,392)
Cash flows from investing activities	(3,535)	(3,506)	(3,158)	347
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(3,074)	(2,797)	(2,750)	46
Payments for acquisition of business	(314)	(603)	(841)	(238)
Purchase of shares of subsidiaries resulting in change in scope of consolidation	(761)	-	_	_
Cash flows from financing activities	(5,550)	(6,944)	(882)	6,061
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(5,149)	(584)	(1,606)	(1,022)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	28,464	29,749	32,254	2,505
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	23,315	29,165	30,647	1,482

### Dispensing Pharmacy Business / Statement of Income

Net sales, torn between a pandemic-led rise in prescription unit prices and downturn in prescription numbers, grew 5.8% YoY on the full-year contribution of 65 new stores opened the previous year. OP fell 17.8% due to the drop in prescriptions, but this was well above initial forecasts thanks to extensive cost cutting.

(Millions of yen)	1H FY3/19 Results	1H FY3/20 Results	1H FY3/21 Initial Forecast	1H FY3/21 Results	Change Vs. Initial Forecast	Vs. Initial Forecast	YoY growth rate
Net sales	101,054	111,763	118,921	118,236	(685)	(0.6%)	5.8%
Cost of sales	86,856	95,609	103,677	100,875	(2,802)	(2.7%)	5.5%
Gross profit	14,197	16,153	15,243	17,361	2,117	13.9%	7.5%
% to sales	14.0%	14.5%	12.8%	14.7%	_	_	_
SG&A expenses	10,999	11,745	13,799	13,736	(62)	(0.5%)	17.0%
% to sales	10.9%	10.5%	11.6%	11.6%	_	_	_
Operating profit	3,197	4,408	1,444	3,624	2,180	151.0%	(17.8%)
% to sales	3.2%	3.9%	1.2%	3.1%	_	_	_
No. of pharmacies at the end of each period (stores)	596	611	667	665	(2)	(0.3%)	8.8%
Prescription drug sales per pharmacy	171	184	180	179	0	(0.4%)	(3.8%)

Note: Rounding down to the nearest unit

No. of pharmacies at the end of each period includes locations specializing in the sales of general merchandise. Prescription drug sales per pharmacy = Prescription drug sales / Average No. of pharmacies during the period

# Pharmaceutical Manufacturing and Sales Business / Statement of Income

Net sales improved 8.4% YoY on buoyant sales of new NHI listed drugs in December 2019 and June 2020. Operating profit edged up 0.7%, exceeding initial forecasts by 53.3% on the strength of sustained cost reduction efforts.

(Millions of yen)	1H FY3/19 Results	1H FY3/20 Results	1H FY3/21 Initial Forecast	1H FY3/21 Results	Change Vs. Initial Forecast	Vs. Initial Forecast	YoY growth rate
Net sales	19,431	21,040	23,272	22,812	(459)	(2.0%)	8.4%
Cost of sales	16,444	17,643	19,739	19,394	(344)	(1.7%)	9.9%
Gross profit	2,986	3,397	3,532	3,417	(114)	(3.3%)	0.6%
% to sales	15.4%	16.1%	15.2%	15.0%	_	_	_
SG&A expenses	2,642	2,242	2,773	2,254	(519)	(18.7%)	0.5%
% to sales	13.6%	10.7%	11.9%	9.9%	_	_	_
Operating profit	344	1,155	758	1,163	404	53.3%	0.7%
% to sales	1.8%	5.5%	3.3%	5.1%			

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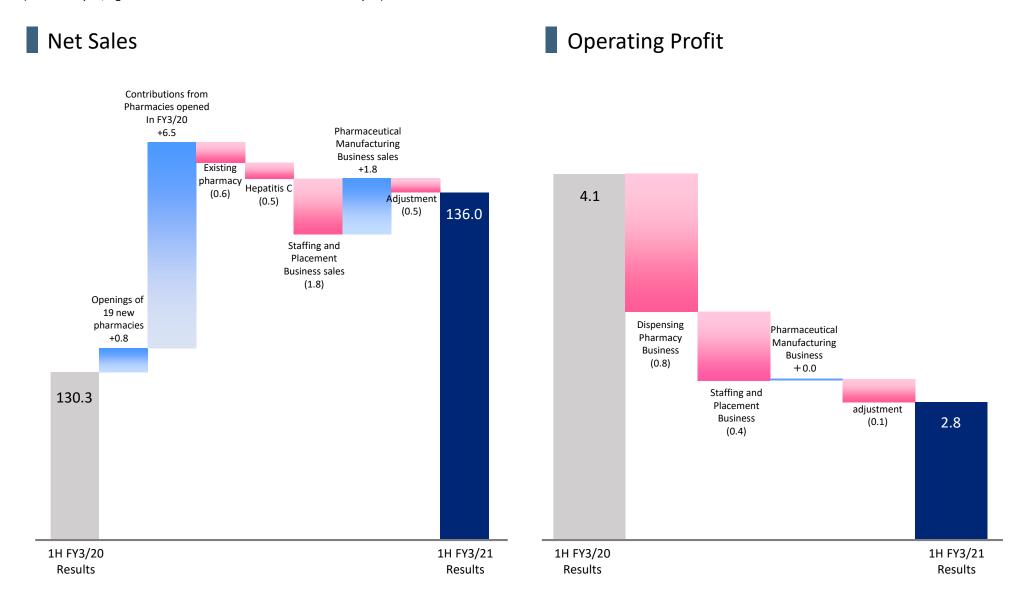
# Medical Professional Staffing and Placement Business / Statement of Income

Pharmacist placements fell due to the ongoing shift from dispatch to permanent placement spurred by changing demand as well as the effects of the pandemic. At the same time, pharmacist and physician introductions expanded steadily, and the accompanying increase in staff pushed SG&A costs higher.

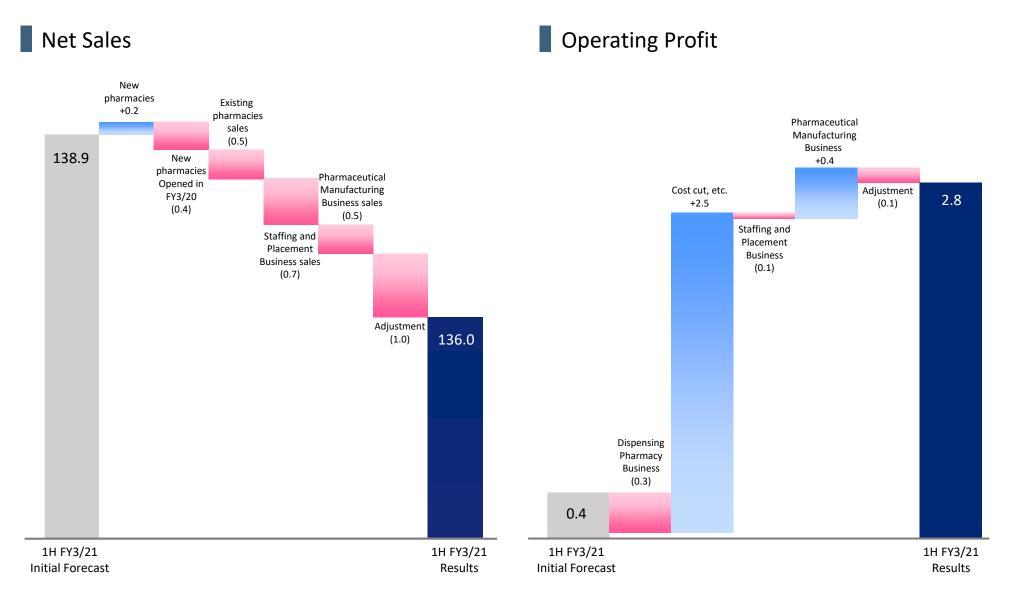
(Millions of yen)	1H FY3/19 Results	1H FY3/20 Results	1H FY3/21 Initial Forecast	1H FY3/21 Results	Change Vs. Initial Forecast	Vs. Initial Forecast	YoY growth rate
Net sales	6,351	6,775	5,769	5,025	(744)	(12.9%)	(25.8%)
Cost of sales	3,969	3,871	3,102	2,446	(655)	(21.1%)	(36.8%)
Gross profit	2,382	2,903	2,666	2,578	(88)	(3.3%)	(11.2%)
% to sales	37.5%	42.9%	46.2%	51.3%	_	_	_
SG&A expenses	1,751	1,821	1,921	1,881	(39)	(2.1%)	3.3%
% to sales	27.6%	26.9%	33.3%	37.4%	_	_	_
Operating profit	630	1,082	745	696	(48)	(6.6%)	(35.7%)
% to sales	9.9%	16.0%	12.9%	13.9%	_		_

Note: Rounding down to the nearest unit

(Billions of yen; figures are rounded to the nearest 100 million yen)



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# FY3/21 Consolidated Forecast

We assume that the current pandemic-driven situation will continue through March 2021 and thus lower our net sales guidance by 16.06 billion yen from our initial forecast. We have raised operating profit to around last year's level due to widespread cost reductions.

(Millions of yen)	FY3/18 Results	FY3/19 Results	FY3/20 Results	FY3/21 Initial Forecast	FY3/21 Revised Forecast (Oct. 30)	Forecast Change
Net sales	241,274	245,687	268,520	291,813	275,753	(16,060)
Cost of sales	197,437	203,711	222,147	243,007	227,117	(15,889)
Gross profit	43,837	41,975	46,372	48,806	48,635	(170)
% to sales	18.2%	17.1%	17.3%	16.7%	17.6%	_
SG&A expenses	33,250	35,242	38,779	42,302	42,083	(218)
% to sales	13.8%	14.3%	14.4%	14.5%	15.3%	_
Consumption taxes	11,892	12,537	15,413	17,306	17,394	88
R&D expenses	2,784	2,764	2,991	3,487	3,116	(371)
Operating profit	10,587	6,733	7,593	6,504	6,552	48
% to sales	4.4%	2.7%	2.8%	2.2%	2.4%	_
Ordinary profit	10,138	6,077	7,405	6,266	6,331	64
% to sales	4.2%	2.5%	2.8%	2.1%	2.3%	_
Profit attributable to owners of parent	6,104	3,790	6,697	3,122	3,260	137
% to sales	2.5%	1.5%	2.5%	1.1%	1.2%	_
Net income per share (Yen) Note	190.84	121.74	223.33	104.14	108.73	4.58
Dividend per share (Yen) Note	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	_

Note: On April 1, 2020, the Company conducted a two-for-one stock split of common stock.

Net income per share and Dividend per share have been calculated as if this stock split had taken place at the beginning of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2018.

# FY3/21 Business Segment Forecast

We have revised our full-year consolidated earnings forecast on the assumption that the pandemic will continue to impact the volume and unit price of prescriptions through March 2021.

	(Millions of yen)	FY3/18 Results	FY3/19 Results	FY3/20 Results	FY3/21 Initial Forecast	FY3/21 Revised Forecast (Oct. 30)	Forecast Change
	Net sales	205,192	208,622	231,001	251,141	239,811	(11,329)
Dispensing	Gross profit	32,928	30,282	34,898	36,204	37,026	822
pharmacy	% to sales	16.0%	14.5%	15.1%	14.4%	15.4%	_
business	Operating profit	12,411	8,707	9,785	8,606	8,854	248
	% to sales	6.0%	4.2%	4.2%	3.4%	3.7%	
	Net sales	38,066	40,659	43,072	46,470	45,767	(703)
Pharmaceutical	Gross profit	6,319	6,877	6,076	7,049	6,912	(136)
manufacturing and sales	% to sales	16.6%	16.9%	14.1%	15.2%	15.1%	_
business	Operating profit	1,194	1,885	1,301	1,459	2,011	551
	% to sales	3.1%	4.6%	3.0%	3.1%	4.4%	
Medical	Net sales	11,970	13,083	12,721	11,855	8,760	(3,094)
professional	Gross profit	4,604	4,950	5,404	5,562	4,807	(755)
staffing and	% to sales	38.5%	37.8%	42.5%	46.9%	54.9%	_
placement business	Operating profit	1,842	1,478	1,851	1,687	1,015	(672)
<del>business</del>	% to sales	15.4%	11.3%	14.6%	14.2%	11.6%	

# **Growth Strategy**

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### **■** Emphasis on a Well Balanced Pharmacy Network

Growth through a proper balance between "organic growth and acquisitions" and "hospital-front and hybrid pharmacies" with an eye toward the pharmacy of the future, as well as higher sales at existing pharmacies

Dispensing Pharmacy
Business

#### Growth of the Pharmaceutical Manufacturing and Sales Business

Investments in R&D programs to increase the number of items for which we have obtained manufacturing approval and increase earnings

Pharmaceutical Manufacturing and Sales Business

# Growth of the Medical Professional Staffing and Placement Business

Strengthen placement business and expand into new business Fields

Medical Professional Staffing and Placement Business

## Emphasis on a Well-Balanced Pharmacy Network (1)

We will continue to seek a good balance between organic growth and acquisitions. We will actively pursue carefully selected M&A opportunities.

**Pharmacy Openings** 

Organic growth and M&A

	FY3/15	FY3/16	FY3/17	FY3/18	FY3/19	FY3/20	1H FY3/21
Opened	29	27	42	36	32	65 <sub>note</sub>	19
Organic growth	28	22	21	23	26	35	14
M&A	1	5	21	13	6	30	5
Closed	12	11	12	8	19	13	4
No. of pharmacies at the end of each period	511	527	557	585	598	650	665

<sup>•</sup> Including one location specializing in the sales of general merchandise

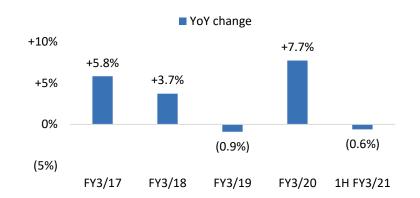
Note: Including one location that was converted from a store specializing in the sale of general merchandise to a pharmacy

### 1H FY3/21 Dispensing Pharmacy Business YoY Growth Rate

	Prescription drug sales	No. of prescriptions	Prescription unit prices
Existing pharmacies	(0.6%)	(11.4%)	+12.3%
Pharmacies opened in FY3/19	+1518.5%	+867.5%	+67.3%
Total	+5.8%	(5.0%)	+11.4%

No. of prescriptions 6,858,000 Prescription unit price 16,965 yen

### Existing Dispensing Pharmacy Sales



## Emphasis on a Well-Balanced Pharmacy Network (2)

We will maintain a good balance between hospital-front pharmacies, which can ally with specialist medical institutions, and community-oriented hybrid pharmacies. We will also invest in the necessary human resources.

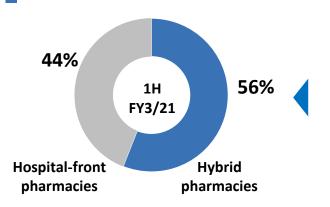
Pharmacy Openings and Closings

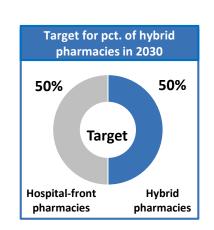
Hospital-front pharmacies and hybrid pharmacies

	FY3/20	1H FY3/21
Opened	65	19
Hospital-front pharmacies / Pharmacies within hospital premises	38	9
Hybrid pharmacies	27	10
Closed	13	4
No. of pharmacies at the end of period	650	665

Note: Includes one location specializing in the sales of general merchandise and relocations to open pharmacies within hospital premises

Ratio of Pharmacies in Tokyo Area





Composition of Pharmacy Network

Nationwide Hospital-front pharmacies

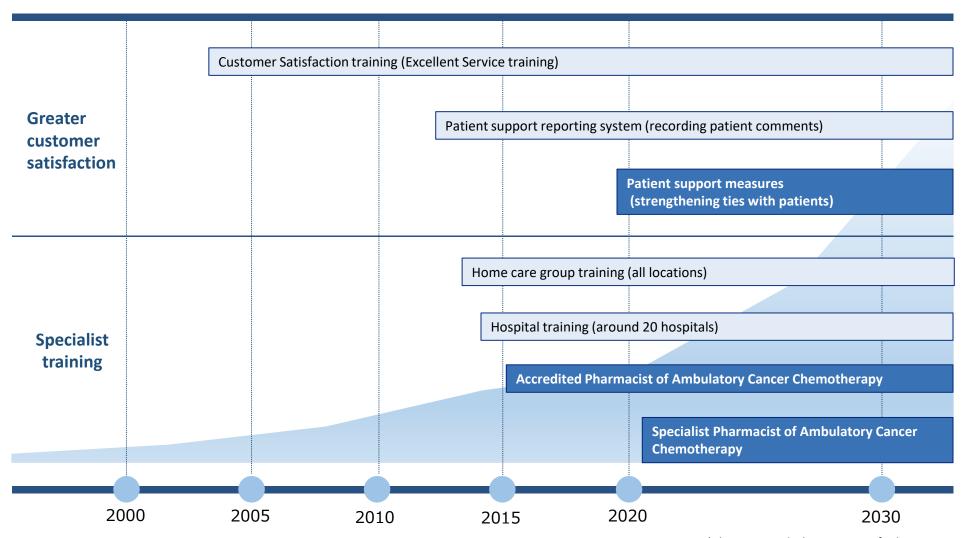
/ Pharmacies within hospital premises

Region	Pharmacy openings 1H FY3/21	No. of pharmacies at the end of period 1H FY3/21
Hokkaido	2	45
Tohoku	0	48
Kanto	9	335
Koshinetsu	1	25
Tokai	1	58
Kansai/Hokuriku	6	78
Chugoku/Shikoku	0	39
Kyushu/Okinawa	0	37
Total	19	665

## Investment in Growth (1)

Investment in people & ICT

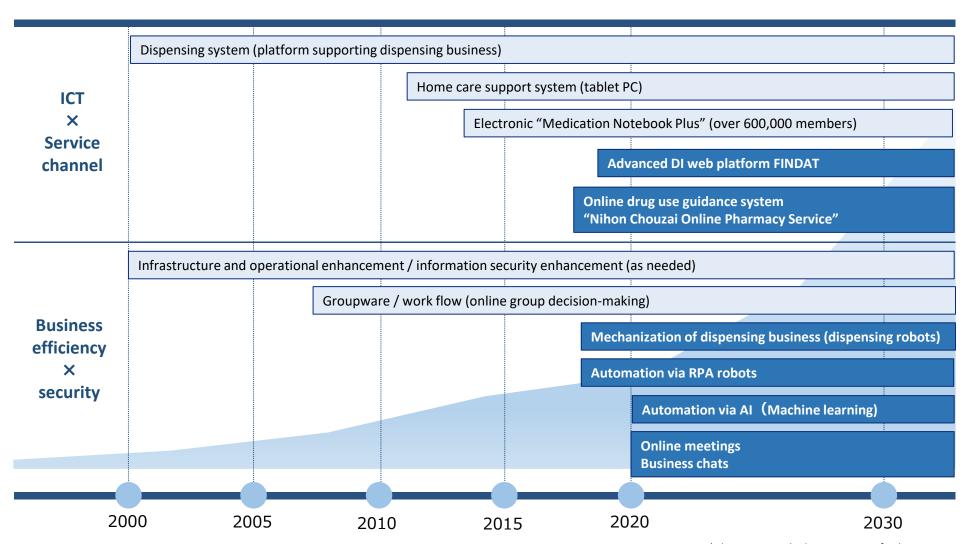
Investment in people to support continuous growth



### Investment in Growth (2)

Investment in people & ICT

Investment in **ICT** to support continuous growth



## Growth of the Pharmaceutical Manufacturing and Sales Business (1)

### FY3/21 results

Net sales in the medical pharmaceutical market as a whole continue to decline YoY due to a reduction in drug prices from NHI revisions. We attained higher sales and profits in both 1Q and 2Q despite the tough market conditions through large increases in sales volume.

YoY	Pharmaceutical Manufacturing and Sales Business (1Q)	Pharmaceutical Manufacturing and Sales Business (1H)
Net sales	+11.0%	+8.4%
Operating profit	+4.4%	+0.7%

#### Market Environment

Generic drug prices fell by around 13%\* YoY after two NHI price revisions.

➢ October 2019: 10% reduction➢ April 2020: 3% reduction

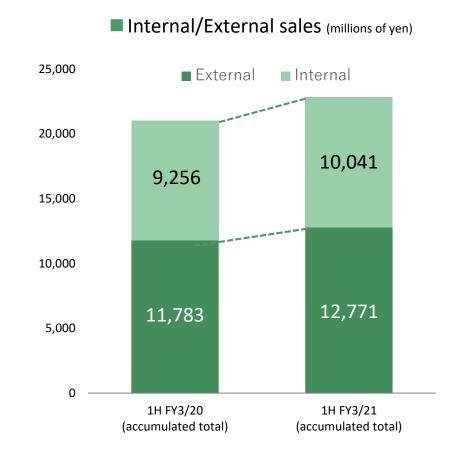
• Net sales of medical drugs have fallen YoY as patients refrain from medical examinations under the pandemic (IQVIA pharmaceutical market sales data: 2.5% decline in April to June 2020).

# Growth of the Pharmaceutical Manufacturing and Sales Business (2)

Net sales have increased steadily each time a new drug was NHI listed. Despite the grim market conditions, internal sales have increased with the growth of Dispensing Pharmacy Business, and external net sales have expanded thanks to stronger promotional efforts.

### Net sales and their breakdown





## Growth of the Pharmaceutical Manufacturing and Sales Business (3)

### New NHI Listed Drugs

■ New NHI Listed Drugs Sold in June 2020: **16 items** 

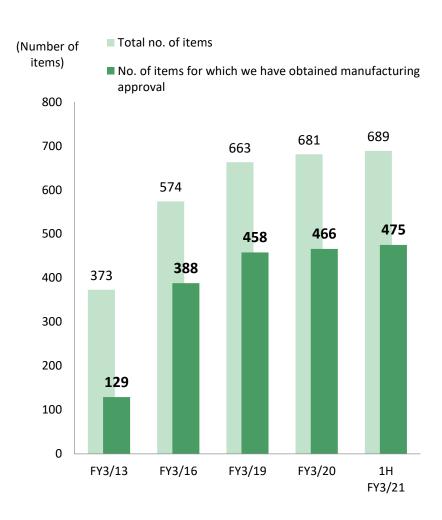
Scale of potential conversion to generic drugs (estimated\*)

101 billion yen

名称		
Celecoxib Tablets 100mg "JG"	Memantine Hydrochloride OD Tablets 20mg "JG"	
Celecoxib Tablets 200mg "JG"	Galantamine Hydrobromide OD Tablets 4mg "JG"	
Ezetimibe Tablets 10mg "JG"	Galantamine Hydrobromide OD Tablets 8mg "JG"	
Levocetirizine hydrochloride Tablets 10mg "JG"	Galantamine Hydrobromide OD Tablets 12mg "JG"	
Imidafenacin Tablets 0.1mg "JG"	Dutasteride capsules 0.5mg AV "JG"	
Imidafenacin OD Tablets 0.1mg "JG"	Tadalafil Tablets 2.5mg ZA "JG"	
Memantine Hydrochloride OD Tablets 5mg "JG"	Tadalafil Tablets 5mg ZA "JG"	
Memantine Hydrochloride OD Tablets 10mg "JG"	Rabeprazole Sodium Tablets 5mg "JG"	

<sup>\*</sup> Calculated by multiplying the annual usage volume of the brand-name product by NHI drug price of Nihon Generic Co., Ltd.

#### ■ Number of Product Items



## Growth of the Pharmaceutical Manufacturing and Sales Business (4)

### Sales

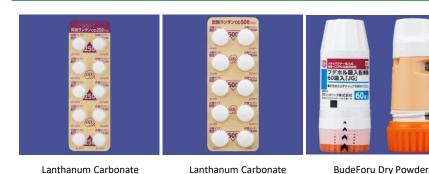
- Net sales grew on higher volume sales of new products. The increased ratio of in-house manufactured products has raised profit margins. Twelve of the 16 new NHI listed products in June 2020 were in-house items.
- We have boosted margins on existing products by focusing sales on lucrative in-house items.

#### Products launched in December 2019

- Lanthanum carbonate OD tablets have achieved a greater market share and higher sales volume.
- BudeForu Dry Powder Inhaler won the top share thanks to pre-sales.

#### Products launched in June 2020

- Robust sales of mass market products like Celecoxib Tablets, Ezetimibe Tablets and Levocetirizine hydrochloride Tablets
- Rising share in high-priced items like Memantine HCl OD tablets and Galantamine OD tablets.



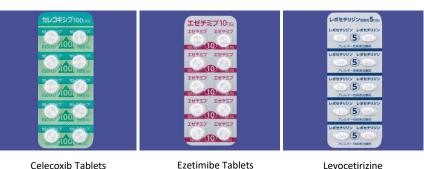
**OD Tablets** 

500mg "JG"

Inhaler

60 inhalation "JG"





10mg "JG"

OD Tablets

250mg "JG"

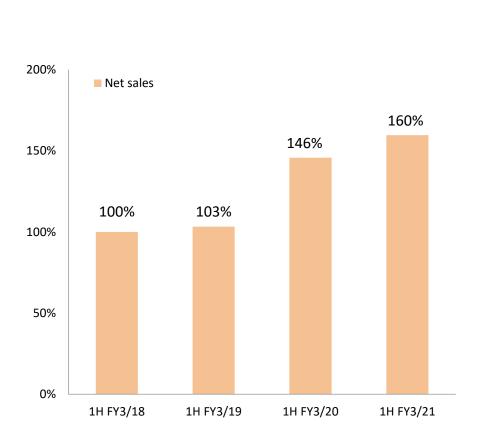
hydrochloride Tablets

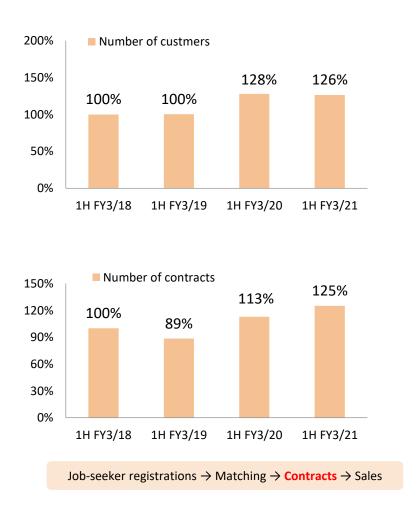
5mg "JG"

# Growth of the Medical Professional Staffing and Placement Business (1)

We shifted to the placement business in response to changes in demand for pharmacists. Whereas the pandemic has depressed dispatch demand, placement demand is strong, and net sales in the business are growing.

### Growth of the pharmacist placement business



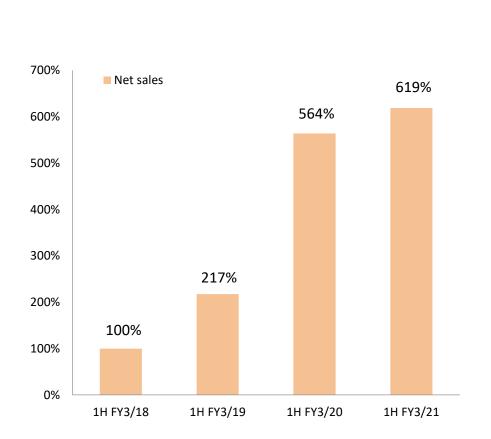


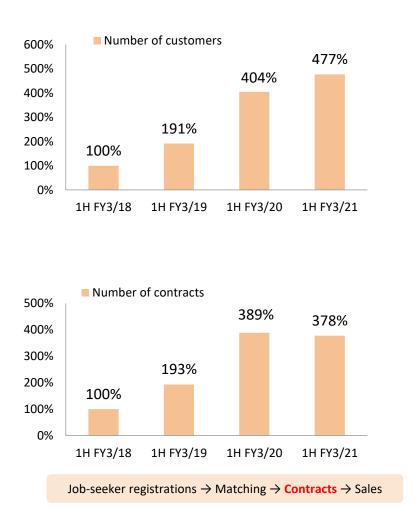
1H FY3/18 Net sales, customers and contracts = 100%

# Growth of the Medical Professional Staffing and Placement Business (2)

The physician placement business retains high growth potential despite the pandemic and continues to expand.

### Growth of the Physician Placement Business





1H FY3/18 Net sales, customers and contracts = 100%

# Growth of the Medical Professional Staffing and Placement Business (3)

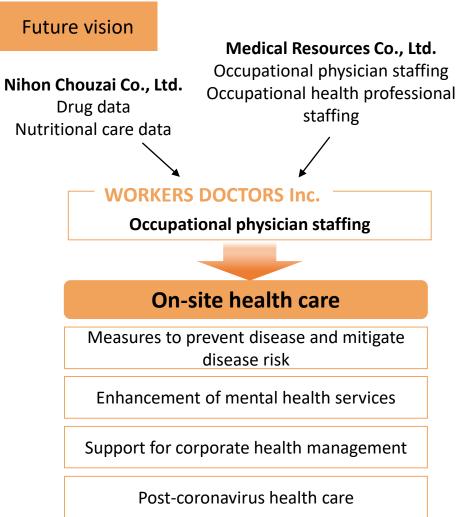
Acquisition of Workers Doctors Inc. (creation of sub-subsidiary)

#### Acquired company

Workers Doctors provides occupational medical services and labor health management support to businesses in metro Tokyo.

#### Purpose of acquisition

- Strengthen physician business
   New growth engine alongside pharmacist business
- Utilize nationwide network
   Nationwide rollout of network from current 5 prefectures
- Realize group synergies
   Revitalization of occupational doctor and existing registered doctor services
- 4. Develop online medical checks and DX
- Pursue comprehensive health care company strategy
   Support for corporate health management so that workers can maintain good physical, mental and social health



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