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December Taxes(12 がつのぜいきん)

This month's taxes are as follows:

Kokumin Kenko Hoken Zei 国民健康保険税

National Health Insurance tax

保育料 Nursery school fee Hoiku Ryo 幼稚園料 Kindergarten fee Yochien Ryo

Kotei Shisan Zei 固定資産税 Fixed Property tax Suido Ryokin 水道料金 Water fee

Kaigo Hoken Ryo 介護保険料 Nursing Insurance fee Koki Koreisha Iryo Hoken Ryo 後期高齢者医療保険料 Medical insurance fee for the elderly

Due date for taxes is Jan. 6 (Mon)

Koka City official facebook now available!!!

Koka City has facebook now.

You can find information of government, Event, and sightseeing in the area.

Also, it can provide information when natural disaster hits us. You can browse Koka City facebook page without registering, but you will receive information in regular basis if you register.

http://www.facebook.com/city.koka

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"I don't have a solution to my problem and I need to talk to somebody in my own Toll-Free Helpline for Foreigners
Is here to help you! language.

At this toll-free number, counselors will work with you to find solutions for your concerns and questions in your native language. The toll-free number is accessible from anywhere in Japan, and all information you provide will remain strictly confidential. Please feel free to call the number below and after Japanese guidance, press 2. Available languages are: English, Chinese, Korean, Tagalog, Thai, Spanish & Portuguese.

<Hours>

Mon. 10am~10pm - English, Chinese 10am~4pm- Tagalog, 4pm~10pm- Thai

Tue. 10am~10pm-English, Korean 4pm~10pm-Tagalog, Chinese

Wed. 10am~10pm-English, Chinese, Tagalog 4pm~10pm-Thai, Spanish, Portuguese

10am~10pm-Chinese, 10am~4pm-Spanish, Portuguese 4pm~10pm-English, Tagalog Thr.

10am~4pm-Englsh, Spanish, Tagalog 4pm~10pm Korean, Chinese, Portuguese Fri.

10am~10pm-Thai 10am~4pm Spanish, Portuguese Sat. 4pm~10pm Korean, Chinese

Sun. 10am~10pm-English, Spanish, Portuguese, Tagalog 10am~4pm

Toll free: 0120-279-338

City Housing Open for Application

Details on the offer and application are available at Jutaku Kenchikuka at Koka City Hall in Minakuchi, starting from December 2nd . You can also get information from Koka City Official website.

Application period: 12/2(Mon) to 12/12(Thr)

Inquiry: Jutaku Kenchiku Ka Phone: 65-0609 FAX: 63-4601







Back taxes?

Tax is very important resource to run administrative services such as

welfare and education. Shiga Prefecture and Koka City are reviewing all back taxes in December.

If there are back taxes, your salary or saving could be a subject for foreclosure. Please check again to see if you have any back taxes. If you are facing any difficulty paying tax, please contact us as soon as possible. >>> Inquiry: Koka City tax→65-0681

Shiga prefecture tax→63-6106





Additional dates for Cancer Screening

Inquiry: Kenko Suishin Ka

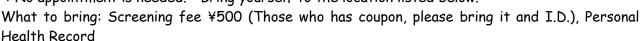
\$65-0737, fax 63-4591

igspace igspace igspace igspace Additional dates for Stomach, Lung, Brest and Cervical cancer screening igspace igspace igspace

* Appointment is required. Please call Kenko Suishin Ka \$\omega\$65-0737 Seats are limited.

| Date & Location | Reception Hours | | |
|-----------------------------|---|--|--|
| December 19, Thr | Breast Cancer: 1:30 pm ~ 2pm | | |
| @ Shigaraki Kaihatsu Center | 2:30pm ~ 3pm | | |
| January 31, Fri | Stomach & Lung Cancer: Male 9am ~ 9:30am, Female 10am ~ 10:30am | | |
| @ Minakuchi Hoken Center | Breast & Cervical Cancer: 1:30pm ~ 2pm, 2:30pm ~ 3pm | | |

 $\bullet \bullet \bullet$ Additional dates for container distribution (for Colorectal cancer screening) $\bullet \bullet \bullet$ *No appointment is needed. Bring yourself to the location listed below.



| Location | Dates & Distribution Hrs. 9am ~ 4pm | |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Minakuchi Hoken Center | Dec. 5&6 | |
| | ★Jan. 31 (Reception 9~11am.) | |
| Konan Hoken Center | Jan. 14 | |
| Tuchiyama Hoken Center | Jan. 15 | |
| Shigaraki Hoken Center | Jan. 16 | |
| Koka Hoken Center | .Jan 17 | |

-Complimentary Coupon for Colorectal Cancer, expiration is extended to Jan. 31, 2014! -The coupons were sent in the end of June to those who were applicable. Expiration date on the coupon is now extended to Jan. 31, 2014.



Get vaccination!

Measles & Rubella

-For those who are expecting to get pregnant, pregnant and their family ~supporting part of the cost of immunization~



Not yet? Hurry!!! If pregnant woman get measles during the pregnancy, there are possibilities that she may have infant with congenital rubella syndrome (CRS.) To prevent those risk and avoid measles contagion, there is subsidy to partially cover the cost of vaccination.

Eligible Over 19 years old and applies one of 1~3 below;

- 1. Female over 19 and above who is expecting to get pregnant.
- 2. Partner of pregnant woman
- 3. Family member who is living with pregnant woman

Subsidy

MR Vaccine \rightarrow ¥5000 max.

Measles Vaccine only→ ¥3000 max.

Applicable vaccination period

April 1, 2013 ~ December 31, 2013

How can I receive subsidy?

After vaccinated during the above period, please come to Kenko Suishinka (健康推進課) at City Hall by January 31, 2014 to submit application. Please bring following items;

 \bigstar Receipt with the name of vaccine you got, \bigstar seal (hanko), \bigstar something that shows

Your bank account number (subsidy will be direct deposit,) for those who matches 2 & 3 above eligibility, please bring "boshi techo 母子手帳(Maternal and Child Health Handbook) with you.

<Inquiry>

Boshi Hoken kakari(母子保健係) at Kenko Suishin Ka (健康推進課) 🗗 65-0736



Where can I find Koka City's information in English???

1. Koka City Official Website⇒ http://www.city.koka.lg.jp/ then click ➤ English to go to Koka City Official English Website⇒ http://www.city.koka.lg.jp/en/



(it usually can be found on the bottom corner)



<Koka City Official Website>





~Health Checkup Schedule for December~

| Exam | Date of Birth | Exam Date | Location | Hours | What to Bring |
|-------------------------|------------------|---------------|----------------------|--|---|
| Infants up | August | 12 /12 (Thr.) | Minakuchi HC | 1.00 | Maternity record book, questionnaire, |
| 4 months 2013 | 12 /17 (Thrs) | Konan HC | 1:00 pm ~ 1:30 pm | bath towel, diapers, change of clothes, milk for nursing if necessary | |
| January 2013 | January | 12/5 (Thrs) | KokaHC | 1,00 | Maternity record book, questionnaire, |
| | 2013 | 12 /19 (Thrs) | Minakuchi HC | 1:00 pm ~ 1:30 pm | bath towel, diapers, change of clothes, milk for nursing if necessary |
| | April | 12/18 (Wed) | Minakuchi HC | 1:00 pm ~ 1:30 pm | Maternity record book, questionnaire |
| | 2012 | 12 /6 (Fri) | Koka HC | | |
| 2 years and 6 months | May 2011 | 12/ 11 (Wed) | Konan HC | 9:30am ~ 10:00am | Maternity record book, questionnaire, questionnaire about child's hearing ability |
| | | 12/20 (Fri) | Minakuchi HC | | |
| 3 years and 6 months | May 2010 | 12 /13(Fri) | Koka HC | 1:00 pm ~ 1:30 pm | Maternity record book, questionnaire |
| | | 12/10 (Mon) | Minakuchi HC | | |

^{*}If you plan on taking an exam at a Hoken Center outside of your area, please contact Health Promotion Division (65-0703) 7 days in advance. *If you reside in Tsuchiyama or Shigaraki and cannot make to the health exam location, and if you wish to receive

For more information

Kenko Suishin Ka / Health Promotion Division TEL: 0748-65-0703 / FAX:0748-63-4591

Shigaraki Hoken Center

TEL: 0748-82-3113 / FAX:0748-82-3138

Minakuchi Hoken Center

TEL: 0748-62-5336 / FAX:0748-62-5418

Tsuchiyama Hoken Center

TEL: 0748-66-1105 / FAX:0748-66-1564

Konan Hoken Center

TEL: 0748-86-5934 / FAX:0748-86-5974

Koka Hoken Center

TEL: 0748-88-6556 / FAX:0748-88-6557

Event information



International Festival 2013 in Koka

The biggest international event of Koka City!

"Share Koka, Share the World"

Date: December 8nd (sun) from 12:00pm

Where: Hekisui Hall (碧水ホール) *Opens at 11:30am) Admission: Free Booths: international food, panels &

exhibitions, stage performance, and more!

We are looking for volunteers too.

Inquiry: International Festa 2013 committee

at

Koka International Society

E-Mail: mifa@mx.biwa.ne.jp **25**63-8728

-World Learning Class for Elementary School students-

Sekai Manabi Juku 世界まなびじゅく2013

Let's enjoy the music in the world

Date: 12/8 (Sun), 1:30p.m.~3:00p.m.

Where: Hekisui Hall (碧水ホール)

*This is a part of International Festival 2013

Admission: ¥300 for KIS Member, ¥500 for ♪ ♪ Experience non-member. Seats: 30 instruments from different countries and you'll get to perform at the stage of International Festival! Inquiry: KIS (Koka International Society)

P&F: 63-8728 E-mail: mifa@mx.biwa.ne.jp

Automated translation is available on our homepage: http://www.city.koka.lg.jp/ English interpreter is available for your convenience from 8:30 am to 5:15 pm. Koka Regional Community Promotion Div.

Phone: 0748-65-0604 E-mail: koka41510@city.koka.lg.jp

individual health checkup, please call Health Promotion Division at 65-0736 7 days in advance.

*Checkup for hearing ability is given at the point of 2 years and 6 months old.

*Detailed information will be either distributed at the health checkup for 1 year and 8 months old or published in the "baby and infant health checkup questionnaire". Please read it carefully and perform "whispering test" and visit nearby by Hoken Center.