

## ICNMD returns to Japan first time in 33 years The 20th International Congress on Neuromuscular Diseases (ICNMD2027) to be held in Chiba

The Chiba Convention Bureau and International Center (CCB-IC) is pleased to announce that Chiba has been selected to host the 20th International Congress on Neuromuscular Diseases. The ICNMD2027 expects to attract approximately 1,500 participants, including around 1,000 international delegates. The Congress will take place from July 7 to July 11, 2027, at Makuhari Messe and Hotel New Otani Makuhari in Chiba City.

In its bid to host the ICNMD2027, the CCB-IC worked closely with Professor Hiroyuki Murai of the Department of Neurology from the International University of Health and Welfare. They also have collaborated with the Japan National Tourism Organization (JNTO), Chiba Prefecture, Chiba City, Makuhari Messe, and other key institutions, creating 'Team Chiba,' who worked hand-in-hand in assisting the organizers all throughout the bid process. These collective efforts have resulted in Chiba winning the bid for hosting the ICNMD2027.

### ■ About ICNMD2027

ICNMD is an acronym for the International Congress on Neuromuscular Diseases, a major global conference in the field of neuromuscular disorders organized by the Neuromuscular Disease Specialty Group of the World Federation of Neurology (WFN). It aims to provide the latest scientific insights into neuromuscular diseases while promoting international collaboration through networking among participants. Although traditionally held biennially, the Congress has decided to transform to an annual meeting format starting in 2027. For more information, please refer to the official ICNMD website: <https://icnmd.org/future-congresses-2/>

### ■ Collaboration and Support

As part of its ongoing mission to attract and support international conferences and other corporate events, Chiba Convention Bureau provides comprehensive assistance before and during the congress, including but not limited to the following:

- Support for bid documentation and proposal materials
- Financial assistance through international conference subsidies
- Provision of promotional materials such as the "Chiba MICE PR Video"
- Coordination of convention volunteers and local sightseeing programs (planned)
- Public relations and media support (planned)
- Assistance with cultural performances and Japanese cultural experiences during the reception (planned)

### ■ Overview

Item	Details
Event Name	The 20th International Congress on Neuromuscular Diseases (ICNMD2027)
Dates	Wednesday July 7 to Sunday July 11, 2027
Venue	Makuhari Messe; Hotel New Otani Makuhari (Chiba City, Japan)
Local Host	International University of Health and Welfare
Expected Attendance	Approx. 1,500 participants (including 1,000 international)

### ■ About MICE

MICE is an acronym for Meetings, Incentives, Conventions, and Exhibitions/Events, representing business events that create significant opportunities for knowledge exchange, networking, and regional economic development.