

Medical matters

In terms of health and tests, the following figures apply to these Games:

- 26 competition, residence and work sites were equipped with NAOC medical services,
- 5,200 medical consultations took place,
- 680 athletes were treated,
- 700 dope tests were carried out,
- 679 gender tests were conducted.

These figures illustrate the outstanding work done by the NAOC medical services under the responsibility of Shigeaki Kobayashi. The medical services were set up in accordance with the IOC Medical Commission's recommendations, which concern all areas of health care, i.e.:

- medical care at athlete, accreditation and spectator sites;
- medical care at Olympic family residence sites;
- medical care at media working sites (MPC and IBC);
- creation of a polyclinic in the Olympic village;
- installation of an antidoping laboratory on site in Nagano;
- installation of dope testing stations at all the Olympic venues;
- installation of a gender testing centre in the Olympic Village.

Despite a large number of medical consultations, due in part to an epidemic of respiratory and digestive problems, no major cases were recorded.