Dr. Yasuhiro Fujiwara, M.D., Ph.D.

Dr. Yasuhiro Fujiwara has taken his position as Chief Executive of Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency (PMDA) since April 1, 2019.

Dr. Yasuhiro Fujiwara was previously Director-General, Strategic Planning Bureau of the National Cancer Center, and the Deputy Director of the Hospital (Research), National Cancer Center Hospital. He is a medical oncologist, specializing in breast cancer. Before joining National Cancer Center Hospital (NCCH), he was a deputy director of the Evaluation Division II of the Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Evaluation Center of the National Institute of Health Sciences (PMDEC, later merged with other organization to form PMDA) of the Ministry of Health and Welfare and Labor between 1997 – 2002, making his current position as Chief Executive his second appointment. Between Jan 2011 to Feb 2013, he was a Deputy Secretary General of Office of Medical Innovation, Cabinet Secretariat of Japan, and led health policy issues regarding life science.