

# History

1972 July 1

Executive office for establishing Asahikawa Medical University opened

1973 September 29

Asahikawa Medical University established

November 5

First Entrance Ceremony

November 20

University Foundation Ceremony

1975 April 1

Executive office for establishing University Hospital opened

1976 October 26

University Hospital Opening Ceremony

November 1

University Hospital opened

1979 March 24

First Graduation Ceremony

April 1

Graduate School established

1981 April 1

Central Laboratory for Research and Education established

1983 March 25

First Graduation Ceremony for the Graduate School

June 15

The 10th Anniversary Ceremony

1993 June 11

Funded Department of Clinical Pharmacology (Tsumura; –March 31, 1999)

November 5

The 20th Anniversary Ceremony

1996 April 1

Nursing Course established

1999 April 1

Telemedicine Center established

2000 April 1

Medical Research Graduate Course renamed Medicine-Related Graduate Course



Master's Program in Nursing established in the Medicine-Related Graduate Course

2001 April 25

Department of Genetic Counseling established

2002 April 1

3 Departments of Nursing reorganized into 1 Department of Nursing

Admissions Office opened

2003 April 1

Department of Hygiene and Department of Public Health reorganized into Department of Health Science

November 5

The 30th Anniversary Ceremony

2004 April 1

National University Corporation Asahikawa Medical University started

Admissions Office reorganized into Admission Center

2005 April 1

Funded Department of Gastro Intestinal Immunology and Regenerative Medicine (–March 31, 2016)

Funded Department of Ocular Tissue Engineering (–March 31, 2021)

August 1

Clinical Laboratory Department and Blood Transfusion Unit merged into the Medical Laboratory and Blood Center

November 1

University Hospital renamed Asahikawa Medical University Hospital

2006 April 1

1 Department with two subfields and 12 Departments of Basic Medicine reorganized into 5 Departments with several subfields and 4 Departments; 19 Departments of Clinical Medicine reorganized into 2 Departments with several subfields and 14 Departments

Funded Department of Artificial Joints (–March 31, 2021)

November 8

Education Center established

2008 April 1

Funded Department of Medicine and Engineering Combined Research Institute (–March 31, 2021)

May 15

Respiratory Center in the University Hospital established

September 1

Funded Department of Cardiovascular Regeneration and Innovation (–August 31, 2020)

2009 September 9

Clinical Simulation Center established

December 9

Hospital Admission Center in the University Hospital established

**2010 February 17**

Department of Regional Medicine and Education established

**April 1**

Family Support Center established

Funded Department of Cardiovascular Respiratory Frontier of Medical Renovation (–March 31, 2016)

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**2011 April 1**

Center for Advanced Research and Education established  
Animal Laboratory for Medical Research, Central Laboratory for Research and Education, and Laboratory for Radioactive Isotope Research reorganized into Department of Technology Support in the Center for Advanced Research and Education

**May 1**

Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation in the University Hospital established

**November 1**

Breast Disease Center in the University Hospital established

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**2012 September 1**

Funded Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology on Co-operative Network (–March 31, 2016)

**November 14**

Dialysis Room in the University Hospital reorganized into the Dialysis Center

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**2013 November 5**

The 40th Anniversary Ceremony

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**2015 January 14**

Clinical Research Support Center in the University Hospital established

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**2016 April 1**

Division of Cardiovascular Surgery in the Department of Surgery established

**April 13**

Institutional Research Office established

**October 1**

Asahikawa Medical University Fund established

Funded Department of Innovative Head and Neck Cancer Research and Treatment (–September 30, 2021)

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**2017 April 1**

Department of Health Science renamed Department of Social Medicine

Funded Department of Community Medicine Management (–March 31, 2021)

**May 17**

Diagnostic Ultrasonics Imaging Center established

**August 1**

Funded Department of Transplantation Technology and Therapeutic Development (– July 31, 2022)

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**2018 March 14**

Center for Training Advanced Medical Specialists established

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**April 1**

Joint Research Department of Telemedicine and Telenursing: Establishing the IoT-cloud Based Global Model (–March 31, 2021)

Outpatient Infusion Center renamed Outpatient Chemotherapy Center

**April 11**

Department of Advanced Medical Science established

**May 1**

Joint Research Department of Advanced Gastroenterology (–March 31, 2021)

**September 5**

Division of Gastroenterological and General Surgery reorganized into Division of Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic and Transplant Surgery and Division of Gastrointestinal Surgery

**October 17**

Center for Complex New Medical Technology Management established

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**2019 March 27**

Nursing Support Center for Career Development, Education, and Research established

**April 10**

Integrated Medical Education Center established

**June 12**

Genetic Oncology Department established

**October 1**

Funded Division of Diabetes and Lifestyle Diseases Prevention and Therapeutics (–September 30, 2021)

**October 14**

International Medical Educational Institute establishes

**December 18**

Stroke Center established

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**2020 March 1**

Research Center for Brain Function and Medical Engineering renamed Advanced Medical Engineering Research Center

**May 13**

Integrated Medical Education Center renamed Center for Integrated Medical Education and Regional Symbiosis

**June 18**

Gastroenterology and Endoscopy and Cancer Genomics and Precision Medicine established in the Division of Gastroenterology and Hematology/Oncology