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Subject(s): Doctor, Kidney Transplant Inpatient Service, the First Affiliated Hospital, Anhui Medical University

Summary

1. Even if the donor is dying, we'll try our best to keep his organ (kidney) in good condition.

2. Our hospital ranks first in Anhui province in terms of the kidney transplant volume.

3. We have done several dozens of such operations, and will be able to do over 200 for this year.

4. We did over one hundred donor transplants last year.

5. Now, our government doesn't specially advocate such transplants as those using organs from the patients' relatives, so we focus our efforts on acquiring organs donated from external sources.

6. If the patient recovers smoothly, the transplant cost is well over 100,000 yuan. But that doesn't include the cost for the kidney, which is over 100,000 yuan as well.

7. The money paid for a donated organ goes to the Red Cross Society. It involves preservation and transportation costs of the organ.

8. The organs are from all the districts within Anhui province.

9. Make an online appointment directly with Director Liao Guiyi. He is the director of the transplant inpatient service.

Translation

Doctor: Hello?

Investigator: Hello! How are you? Is this Anhui...

Doctor: Hello?

Investigator: Is this the First Affiliated Hospital of Anhui Medical University?

Doctor: Yes, we are. How can I help you?

Investigator: Eh, I'm calling from Xuzhou and I want to know whether you're still doing kidney transplants?

Doctor: Yeah, we are.

Investigator: You are. Okay. If we go there, (Doctor: yeah) how long shall we wait before getting it done?

Doctor: That's hard to say. Do you want a kidney from your relative or a donor?

Investigator: A donor. I don't have any relatives to donate.

Doctor: You mean you will wait for a kidney from an outside donor?

Investigator: Ah, yes.

Doctor: In that case, you need to wait in line. As for the details, I have no idea. You can go to our director to register.

Investigator: Oh, that is to say, usually, how long shall we wait? Is it...?

Doctor: A few months would be enough. Some may need to wait a little longer.

Investigator: Are there many patients waiting to get their transplants done?

Doctor: Yes, many.

Investigator: A lot? Oh, does your hospital do more kidney transplants than the Provincial Hospital? They told me you do more kidney transplants than the Provincial Hospital.

Doctor: Yes. Because we mainly do transplants using donated organs while they probably do more transplants using those from the relatives, or live donors. We do more transplants using donated organs from external sources.

Investigator: Well, as for the donated organs, why do you have more than they do? You acquire more donations from external organ sources, right?

Doctor: Because we have a focus different from theirs. Yes, probably we have more donors than they do. They focus on acquiring organs from relatives. Now, our government doesn't specially advocate such transplants that depend on the patients' relatives, so we focus our efforts on acquiring organs donated from external sources.

Investigator: Then, how about the donors' health conditions?

Doctor: We certainly make sure that they all meet the requirements.

Investigator: Because I think usually the donors are those about to die, so, are they all very healthy?

Doctor: We'll maintain them. That's to say, if the donor...if the donor is dying, we will still keep his kidney...even if the donor is dying, we still keep his organs in good condition.

Investigator: Oh, no, those donors are not all from your hospital. Are some from other places?

Doctor: Certainly not. They're from all around Anhui province and within our district area. That is to say, all the hospitals in our province have their respective districts of allocation, so they're also from our own district.

Investigator: You mean that the patients will all be transferred to your hospital for the transplants when they're dying?

Doctor: No, no, no. If it's just for obtaining the kidney, for example, it can be done in the local area.

Investigator: Oh, oh, I see.

Doctor: This thing can be done in advance. After obtaining the kidney, you come to our hospital to have it transplanted.

Investigator: Oh, is that so? That means your hospital does more transplants than other hospitals. These New Year holidays were hardly over and you already started doing them?

Doctor: We have started it much earlier, and never stopped doing it.

Investigator: As I know, your hospital did a lot last year, too, and does almost two to three hundred a year, right? (Doctor: Yeah.)

Doctor: Oh, but cases with donated organs were just over one hundred.

Investigator: The other cases were done using organs from the patients' relatives?

Doctor: Yes.

Investigator: You also did the transplants using organs from those relatives?

Doctor: Yeah.

Investigator: What about the cost? Is there any change in the cost?

Doctor: As for the cost, the transplantation cost alone, currently in Anhui, it would be over 100,000 yuan, if the patient recovers smoothly. But that doesn't include the cost for the kidney.

Investigator: How much is the kidney?

Doctor: Over 100,000 yuan also.

Investigator: So, the total would be 200,000 to 300,000 yuan?

Doctor: That's it for sure. If the recovery is smooth, that's it for sure.

Investigator: So, there could be a difference in the price of the kidney between external and relative donations?

Doctor: Definitely. One from a relative is certainly cheaper.

Investigator: Cheaper?

Doctor: Because he doesn't have to pay for the kidney, pay extra money for the kidney.

Investigator: Aren't the kidney donations voluntary? Are they free of charge?

Doctor: But you need to pay the Red Cross Society! It involves the preservation and transportation costs of the organ.

Investigator: Oh, I see, I see.

Doctor: Actually, in our Anhui, the cost is relatively low. If you go to Beijing, Shanghai or Guangzhou, it usually costs hundreds of thousands. It easily starts from hundreds of thousands.

Investigator: Is that so? I know the price in Northern China. In Shanghai...it's high in Shanghai, and in other regions including Zhejiang province as well.

Doctor: Yes.

Doctor: In Anhui province, it's probably a bit lower. Right.

Investigator: Lower? Like for a kidney transplant?

Doctor: If you...if you want to get it done, come to see Director Liao. Just come to consult Director Liao Guiyi.

Investigator: What? Which director?

Doctor: Liao Guiyi.

Investigator: Director Liao Guiyi. About Director Liao, well, I will let the patient know.

Director: Good.

Investigator: Then I will tell the patient to bring his medical records to see him. Does he come to the outpatient clinic? Does he?

Doctor: Yes, he does. He has a special outpatient clinic for kidney transplants. And you let...you let the patient make an appointment with the director at the clinic for the kidney transplant.

Investigator: Is it a specialist clinic consultation?

Doctor: Yeah, it's a specialist clinic for kidney transplants and liver diseases. You only need to come for the kidney transplant.

Investigator: Okay, okay, okay. Oh, for the kidney transplants, he is the director of your kidney inpatient service?

Doctor: Yeah, the director of the inpatient service, for the transplant inpatient service.

Investigator: Oh, how many operations have you done this year, like kidney transplants? Have you done many since the beginning of spring? They...

Doctor: Dozens of them, dozens of them.

Investigator: Dozens of them. Then this year, you will surely do more than before. Will you be able to do two to three hundred transplants?

Doctor: Yeah.

Investigator: Can you do up to two hundred?

Doctor: Over two hundred, over two hundred.

Investigator: All right. I will let the patient know.

Doctor: Yeah. Tell him to make an appointment directly online with Director Liao Guiyi.

Investigator: We can also do that online?

Doctor: Yeah, you can. Just make an appointment with Director Liao Guiyi online.

Investigator: Oh, okay, okay. Then I'll tell him. Thank you.

Doctor: Okay.

Investigator: Okay. Goodbye. Thanks.