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Summary

- 1. They are all brain-dead donors now. It could be available right away, or in one month or two.
- 2. Now there are no more death-row inmates as donors.
- 3. It is all like that across the entire country. As for the quality of donors, about this thing, as you know, it is not like... anyway, there are definitely no longer such organs as those previously taken from executed prisoners—those were direct and healthy.
- 4. We haven't done that for three or four years. In our industry, we all know that no one does that (i.e. organ harvesting from Falun Gong Practitioners) anymore.
- 5. Now domestically, I don't know if other (hospitals) are still doing that (i.e. organ harvesting from Falun Gong Practitioners). I don't know. But I think that the majority of the hospitals are absolutely not doing that. For example, in your area, at the military (system's) center in Tianjin, I guess they don't dare to do that, either!
- 6. It is impossible to do a half liver transplant using a liver organ donated from a non-relative. In that case, a half liver transplant cannot be done. But for a transplant organ donated from a relative or family member—in case the patient cannot afford to wait—a half liver transplant can be done. Otherwise, it must be a whole liver transplant.

Translation

Gao Lianghui: Hello!

Investigator: Hello. Is this Doctor Gao Lianghui from the Affiliated Hospital of Hainan Medical University?

Gao Lianghui: Yes.

Investigator: Hi. Hello. Here's my situation. I'm calling you from Beijing. My work phone number may appear like I'm calling from the Internet, because of the security reasons for my work place. I have a relative in Sanya. He wants to have a liver transplant. I'd like to ask you a question. As I have read some information materials—I originally wanted to send him to Beijing, but it's too far away— I noticed that your (hospital) seems to be quite authoritative in the field. So, my question is: are you still doing liver transplants?

Gao Lianghui: Oh, now we're doing it when convenient. Where is your relative? Please let him contact me.

Investigator: He is in Sanya, that is...

Gao Lianghui: Please ask him to come here. What is his blood type?

Investigator: Oh, it is type B, type B.

Gao Lianghui: What's his illness?

Investigator: He has hepatitis B, which has caused his liver cirrhosis, with a little ascites. I know that he has been suffering from hepatitis B for a long time, and his doctor suggested that he get a liver transplant done. I then offered to help him ask the doctors in Haikou. So, as I'm looking into it today, wow, I've found that you are truly great and quite authoritative under the guidance of Doctor Zheng Shusen. So I think that we don't have to travel too far. (Doctor: Yes.) Are you still doing it there? I think...

Gao Lianghui: You let him...you let him come see me, come look for me.

Investigator: Come to see you? Does that mean that you are on duty every day? Or on which day do you come to the expert clinic? Just give you a call?

Gao Lianghui: Every Thursday morning is for the expert clinic.

Investigator: On Thursday mornings, right?

Gao Lianghui: Yes.

Investigator: Okay. That's good. Great. Thank you. May I ask you a question? How long do we have to wait for the operation, because his family may want to make some arrangements?

Gao Lianghui: It depends. Please ask him to prepare the money and get registered first. Then it depends on the donors' availability, because they are all brain-dead donors, you

know. It depends on when we will have the donors available. Maybe it will be available immediately or maybe you need to wait one month or two. It's hard to tell.

Investigator: Um, brain-dead donors?

Gao Lianghui: Now there are no more death-row inmates as donors!

Investigator: Then, how long will he need to stay in the hospital?

Gao Lianghui: Hospitalization? No. The length of hospitalization depends on how the operation goes. If the postoperative recovery is good, it usually takes half a month or so.

Investigator: Ah. Only half a month will do?

Gao Lianghui: (I mean half a month for) the postoperative recovery.

Investigator: About half a month. Good, very good. Let me be honest with you. As I know, when you're talking about brain-dead (donors), you all know internally that those donors are especially healthy, do you?

Gao Lianghui: Especially what?

Investigator: Healthy. I mean the donors' physical conditions. We all know that the donor is the key to the operation, because...

Gao Lianghui: Let me tell you, let me tell you, it is all like that across the entire country. As for the quality of donors, about this thing, as you know, it is not like... anyway, there are definitely no longer such organs as those previously taken from executed prisoners—those were direct and healthy. Now all donors may have this or that issue, that, however, won't affect the liver functions. So, on this thing, no hospital can guarantee you, or promise you a particular level of their quality. But there's one thing that can be guaranteed: a liver must meet all the requirements for the transplant surgery before it can be excised; if it doesn't meet the surgical requirements, it cannot be excised.

Investigator: It cannot be excised if...

Gao Lianghui: It's all like that across the entire country, all over China, now even all over the world.

Investigator: About that, about that, to be honest with you, as we are all insiders, as for the brain-death thing, the possibility of car accidents is just too small! I know that previously in your military system, they were all aware, and we all knew as insiders that the Falun Gong practitioner donors were especially good. But now we don't talk about that to the public any more, right? Then, do you know if you still have donors like that (at your hospital)?

Gao Lianghui: Let me tell you that we haven't done that for three or four years. In our industry, we all know that no one does that (i.e. organ harvesting from Falun Gong Practitioners) anymore. Now domestically, I don't know if other (hospitals) are still doing that. I don't know. But I think that the majority of the hospitals are absolutely not doing that. For example, in your area, at the military (system's) center in Tianjin, do they want to do that there? I guess they don't dare to do that, either! If someone were found doing that, he or she would be immediately stopped.

Investigator: Okay. All right.

Gao Lianghui: That's for sure. It is a matter of principles, you know? It is against the law! (Investigator: Yes, I see.) As for the court system now, it is not like... if they have so many powerful people that can acquire that kind of organs...if I go to obtain those things, obtain those from that kind of donors as we called them previously, let me tell you, this... anyway...now all...

Investigator: Well, well, Doctor Gao, can I ask you a question? If he (i.e. the patient) meets all the requirements for the transplant surgery, after he goes there, the wait time would be uncertain, right? Maybe it would still be relatively fast?

Gao Lianghui: Yes, it should be relatively fast, because the donor sources here should be good, too, now these channels have been developed well.

Investigator: They are all whole liver transplants, right? All whole liver transplants?

Gao Lianghui: Yes, they are definitely whole liver (transplants). It is impossible to do a half liver transplant using a liver organ donated from a non-relative. In that case, a half liver transplant cannot be done. But for a transplant organ donated from a relative or family member—in case the patient cannot afford to wait—a half liver transplant can be done. Otherwise, it must be a whole liver transplant, okay?

Investigator: Oh, okay. Alright. Thank you! I will tell my relative to come find you sometime later, okay? Thank you. Bye!