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Subject(s): Doctor Mao, Hepatobiliary Surgery and Organ Transplant, the First Hospital, China Medical University

Summary

- 1. Regarding the pandemic here, right now, as long as we have a matching donor, we can do it.
- 2. President Liu Yongfeng, he is quite old, and is not the only surgeon. We have several professors who can do it.
- 3. Our current director is Director Yi Dehui. How about your making an appointment with him? Then he can tell you more.
- 4. Investigator: "It can be done in a week, right?"

 Doctor Mao: "That is a bit too fast. You can come consult our Director Yi, and see what he says."
- 5. A liver transplant costs about 800,000 to 1,000,000 yuan.
- 6. Investigator: "Are there such donors from the legal system, those from the prisons..."

 Doctor Mao: "No more. No more as of now."
- 7. Investigator: "No more right now. He said last year you still had them."

 Doctor Mao: "Right, but now basically they're very hard to come by, yeah, very hard."
- 8. Investigator: "He said Falun Gong practitioners are better. Can you get those?" Doctor Mao: "Those are too hard to get. Those are too difficult, too few to get. There are very few bodies from the prisons. These questions, you have to ask our director."
- 9. Investigator: "So you mean there are too few of them. That means there are still such things available, only fewer than before, right?"

 Doctor Mao: "That is for sure. Right! As of now, the government doesn't allow, definitely doesn't allow those things, right."

Translation

Doctor Mao: Hello, how are you?

Investigator: Hello, how are you?

Doctor Mao: Hi!

Investigator: Hi, greetings. Is this the First Hospital of China Medical University?

Doctor Mao: Ah, yes.

Investigator: Hi, I have a few questions here. Have you been doing liver transplants during the pandemic?

Doctor Mao: As for liver transplants here, well, we do them as long as we have the donors available.

Investigator: Ah, in that case, when would it be convenient for us to come over? Shall I bring the patient over, or first bring the files over?

Doctor Mao: You want to get registered here, right?

Investigator: Yes, I want to get in the queue first.

Doctor Mao: What is the condition of the patient now? Does he suffer from cirrhosis or any other illness?

Investigator: Ah, he is sick with alcoholic cirrhosis. The pandemic is over, so you've already resumed the operations, right?

Doctor Mao: Ah, regarding the pandemic here, right now, well, as long as we have a matching donor, we can do it.

Investigator: Ah. You've never stopped doing it even during the pandemic? My family members are worried if those donors are safe (organ sources) during the pandemic? Whether they carry the virus is a real concern, right?

Doctor Mao: Regarding that, there is indeed...there is such a risk. But generally during the pandemic now, well, because the overall control is okay, there is no need to keep mentioning it as if such a risk is everywhere.

Investigator: Ah, in that case, if we come over, which doctor should we make an appointment with?

Doctor Mao: Ah, just make an appointment for Hepatobiliary Surgery. Any doctor there will do.

Investigator: As my friend told me, you have a doctor, who is at the president's level and named Liu Yongfeng. Is he...?

Doctor Mao: Ah, President Liu Yongfeng. That's our president.

Investigator: Ah, is he, is he still doing it?

Doctor Mao: Yes, he still does it.

Investigator: Ah, is he the lead surgeon?

Doctor Mao: Right now, because he is quite old, he is not necessarily a lead surgeon. It depends on whether you insist that he does it.

Investigator: Ah, old age is a bit of problem. So the young ones would be better....

Doctor Mao: You can research for yourself. We have several professors that are all good.

Investigator: It would be good if you could recommend a few doctors first?

Doctor Mao: Ah, well, how about you...as our current director is Director Yi Dehui...how about that you make an appointment with him? Then he can tell you more.

Investigator: How should I address him?

Doctor Mao: He usually comes to the clinic on Tuesdays. His name is Yi Dehui.

Investigator: What was the name?

Doctor Mao: Yi Dehui, ah.

Investigator: Ah, good, I got it.

Doctor Mao: Please make an appointment with him on the internet. He is available at the clinic next Tuesday. Usually he is.

Investigator: Being at the clinic on Tuesdays. For the whole day Tuesday?

Doctor Mao: He more often comes to the clinic in the mornings. In any case if he is not busy in the afternoons, if there are no special meetings, he will also be there, ah.

Investigator: In that case, according to your, your experience in the hospital, generally, if all the conditions are met, how long shall we wait till the operation?

Doctor Mao: It is really hard to say because we are in the pandemic, yeah.

Investigator: Usually how long roughly? Generally they say it is very fast. Generally it can be done in a week, right?

Doctor Mao: That is a bit too fast. You can go consult our Director Yi, and see what he says.

Investigator: Well, by the way, let me ask you, for a liver transplant, approximately how much does it cost?

Doctor Mao: About 800,000 to 1,000,000 yuan.

Investigator: Ah, that includes everything?

Doctor Mao: Yes, it does.

Investigator: One more question, regarding the donors, usually what kind of situations are they in mostly? Are they young or old, or what situations are they often in?

Doctor Mao: Generally there is a standard, meaning generally the donors are relatively good. We always evaluate the quality. Generally we only use them if the quality is good. If the quality is not good, we will surely not use them, yeah.

Investigator: Ah, then during the pandemic now, can you ensure that the donors do not have that virus?

Doctor Mao: Generally we will do the tests. We will check these things. Besides generally we do not select those donors with a fever, or with any repertory system illnesses. Generally we don't, ah.

Investigator: So, in that case, can we select from the donors? Or can the relatives do that? If our financial condition permits and we pay a bit more, can we have the option to select?

Doctor Mao: About that you have to ask our director. Ah, you have to check with him.

Investigator: Ah, well, as our relative told us, if you can get the donors from the legal system, it will be better. Are there such donors from the legal system, those from the prisons...?

Doctor Mao: No more. No more as of now.

Investigator: No more right now. He said last year you still had them.

Doctor Mao: Right, but now basically they're very hard to come by, yeah, very hard.

Investigator: Especially those practicing Qigong. He said Falun Gong practitioners are better. Can you get those?

Doctor Mao: Those are too hard to get. Those are too difficult, too few to get. There are very few bodies from the prisons.

Investigator: Too few, if there are too few....

Doctor Mao: How about this, for those questions, why don't you leave them to our director? How is that?

Investigator: So you mean there are too few of them. That means there are still such things available, only fewer than before, right?

Doctor Mao: That is for sure. Right, as of now, the government doesn't allow, definitely doesn't allow those things, right.

Investigator: Ah, in that case, I will come over and talk to the director face to face. It would be better if we could still get it, right?

Doctor Mao: Yes, that's right.

Investigator: Because those are the most assured. They practice Qigong and have good health. I heard they do not smoke or drink alcohol.

Doctor Mao: Yes, you can talk to the director, yes, about those things.

Investigator: Talk to the director?

Doctor Mao: Yes, yes, that's right.

Investigator: Could you give me a phone number for the director? It's best if I can talk to him first over the phone.

Doctor Mao: Well, no. But you can talk to him directly at the clinic, okay? I cannot give you phone numbers casually. Okay?

Investigator: Ah, I see. Good. Well, Doctor, you are really very nice, may I have your last name?

Doctor Mao: Mine is Mao. Ah, just talk to our Director Yi.

Investigator: Ah, do you do liver transplants?

Doctor Mao: Yes, we are in the same program, yes.

Investigator: Oh, in the same program?

Doctor Mao: I am the only one with last name Mao. You can directly come over. Ah, will

that work?

Investigator: Okay, okay, okay. Thank you then, Doctor Mao.

Doctor Mao: Okay, good. Then please talk to Director Mao.

Investigator: Okay, good, good, good, good. Thank you.

Doctor Mao: Okay, good bye.

Investigator: Okay, okay, good bye.