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Subject(s): Nurse, Kidney Transplant Inpatient Service, the First Affiliated Hospital, Zhejiang University School of Medicine

Summary

1. Zhijiang Division has been open for business since the end of December last year, not for long.
2. Because Director Han just did a transplant for a COVID-19 (patient), he needs to be quarantined. That's why he is there.
3. The patients must be placed under medical observation.
4. 20 cases of regular lung transplants were done last year.
5. The respirator is very harmful to the lung function. If such a thing is used for a long time, the lungs' quality is not good, so they won't be used.

Translation

Nurse: Please go ahead.

Investigator: Hi, greetings! Hi, how are you? Is this Lung Transplant at the First Affiliated Hospital of Zhejiang University School of Medicine? I called in just now. Was that you whom I talked to?

Nurse: Yeah, yes.

Investigator: Yes, I just called Director Han. He did not answer his cell phone. As you said, Lung Transplant is over there in Zhijiang. How come I did not find it? I am not familiar with this area in Zhejiang. As you mentioned Zhijiang, which Zhijiang is it?

Nurse: It's Zhijiang Division.

Investigator: Zhijiang Division? That is a new division of the First Affiliated Hospital of Zhejiang University, isn't it?

Nurse: Ah, yes. That's the one just opened recently at this hospital.

Investigator: When was it opened?

Nurse: It should be last year.

Investigator: Oh, it was opened last year?

Nurse: Ah, it's been (opened) since the end of last December, not for long though.

Investigator: Ah, the new division has just been opened. Well, Director Han normally goes there, does he? Isn't he the director?

Nurse: He didn't go there for meetings. Because he just did a transplant for a COVID-19 (patient), he needs to be quarantined. That's why he is there.

Investigator: Ah, so Director Han and the people involved in the operation are all in quarantine at that division, right?

Nurse: Yes.

Investigator: Oh, I see. So you...

Nurse: They need to be under medical observation, for the time being.

Investigator: Ah yes. So, may I ask what kind of patients can go for it, and how it works out after the operation? Can you also guarantee its results?

Nurse: Please call the division's number and ask about it tomorrow, if they have their doctors there, the transplant doctors.

Investigator: So now, patients just come and get registered at your hospital. Are there many patients for lung transplants there?

Nurse: There are many such patients here.

Investigator: Ah.

Nurse: But they all have to wait for lung sources. After we make the assessments, they must go back to wait for their lung sources.

Investigator: Ah, as you said, if it were not COVID-19, normally you would do quite a lot of lung transplants, right?

Nurse: Normally for lung transplant patients, we do a lot of assessments, and send them back to wait for the lung sources.

Investigator: Oh, all must wait. Normally how long would be the wait time? That....

Nurse: That is hard to say.

Investigator: As I saw in the media report, the lung transplant was done very fast, just in five days. So normally, aren't lung transplants...?

Nurse: It's the lung sources. No, acquiring the lung resources needs tissue matching tests.

Investigator: Yes, so I saw that you did that, you did the second case in the whole country. A matching donor was found in only five days, and it was done. That was quite fast.

Nurse: Yes. Well, if you find a matching one by chance, then it is very fast.

Investigator: Oh?

Investigator: To look for that donation, do we have to search for it by ourselves? Or you can find it for us? Or do we have to go through connections, or talk to the Red Cross Society? So if there is one available, we can be given the priority to get it.

Nurse: No, regarding the lung sources, each hospital has its own channels. If somebody, for example, somebody is dying or with whatever problems, and he wants to donate, we will talk (with them).

Investigator: Oh.

Nurse: Regarding this matter, the hospital has an ethics council. You don't need to get involved anyway, and will not meet the family members of the donor.

Investigator: Oh, so we won't know who would donate for us, don't need to meet them, and won't know anything about the situation, either. Is that so?

Nurse: Yes.

Investigator: Yes, so are there many patients waiting in line there? How many cases can you do each year?

Nurse: Each year it depends. Last year we did quite a lot. There should be over 20 cases.

Investigator: Over 20 cases last year?

Nurse: Yeah.

Investigator: Well, as in many reports, there are a lot of hospitals that do those (transplants), using livers or kidneys. So for those liver or kidney donors, their left over lungs will be donated to us. How come only so few (lung transplants) have been done?

Nurse: Those liver and kidney transplants are all relatively simple.

Investigator: Okay, so...?

Nurse: Lungs are larger in size.

Investigator: Right. So I think if a person wants to donate, if the liver and kidney can be used for transplantation, then the lungs should also be usable. His heart, liver, spleen, stomach, kidney, aren't they all connected? If they can be used, aren't they all usable? So they should be ...

Nurse: How do you know which organ he got himself injured in? What if he got injured only in the lungs?

Investigator: Aren't your donors normally brain-dead? For those brain-dead, aren't their livers, spleens, stomachs, and kidneys are all good?

Nurse: If you are already brain-dead, you must be put on a respirator. The respirator is very harmful to the lung function. If such a thing is used for a long time, the lungs' quality is not good, so they won't be used.

Investigator: Oh, so it has to be quite picky. It becomes strict, very strict when it comes to picking a lung source.

Nurse: Yes.

Investigator: Oh. So, so, you said brain death has a large impact on the lungs. Then normally what do we use for transplants? How are they done?

Nurse: That is why I asked you to talk to the doctors. The assessment and selection of a lung source are all done by them. If you ask me, I don't know the answer.

Investigator: Ah. Are you a nurse?

Nurse: Yes. You're calling the nurse stations' number. I just gave you the brief information, but you have to ask the doctors for details.

Investigator: Okay, okay, good. I appreciated it very much. Sorry for the trouble.

Nurse: Ah, good.

Investigator: Thank you. Goodbye.

Nurse: Ah, good, good.

Investigator: Bye.

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