

追查迫害法輪功國際組織（追查國際）

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Subject(s): Doctor Zhu, Liver Transplant, Ningbo Medical Center Lihuili Hospital

Summary

1. We've been doing it all along, including yesterday and today. Tomorrow we will have another case of blood type B.
2. If you replace the liver in Zhejiang, the medical insurance will cover part of the cost. Our fees are roughly between 450,000 to 500,000 yuan.
3. That is only limited to Zhejiang Province. Without any medical insurance, it could be additional 50,000 to 100,000 yuan.
4. A liver (transplant) only needs to match the blood type. It can be done even across blood types. In some cases, it can be done even when blood types do not match.
5. If you had registered in our place, it would have been done for you as a blood type B a long time ago, because we did about ten (cases) of type B.
6. Like those fast cases, recently we come across them every week. Recently we have them every week!
7. Shulan has done quite a lot, and hasn't stopped doing it due to the pandemic. Never, Shulan has never stopped doing it.
8. Donors with the novel coronavirus cannot be used for sure. The virus not only attacks the lungs, but also affects other organs and the blood.
9. The program director is Lu Caide, and usually does liver transplants. His clinic is on Wednesdays. He has done it for over ten years, with over 300 cases performed.

Translation

Investigator: Hi! Greetings. Hi, greetings! Is this Ningbo Medical Center Lihuili Hospital?

Doctor Zhu: Yes.

Investigator: Ah, greetings. I'd like to ask a couple of questions here, as my relative has advanced cirrhosis. He joined the waiting list two years ago. Then he had his tissue typing done at Shulan Hospital. But due to the pandemic, he hasn't got the operation done yet.

Doctor Zhu: What is his blood type?

Investigator: Type B.

Doctor Zhu: Type B?

Investigator: Yes. Well, due to the current pandemic, I don't know if he can get hospitalized in your place.

Doctor Zhu: We've been doing it all along, including yesterday and today. Tomorrow we will have another case of blood type B.

Investigator: You mean liver transplantation?

Doctor Zhu: Of course liver transplantation!

Investigator: Ah...my goodness, isn't that...? That's so fast! I didn't know that, so we've been waiting...we've been waiting at Shulan, as the first choice.

Doctor Zhu: Are you sure, is there a tumor?

Investigator: No tumor. It's alcoholic cirrhosis.

Doctor Zhu: If you replace the liver in Zhejiang, the medical insurance will cover part of the cost. Our fees are roughly between 450,000 to 500,000 yuan.

Investigator: So as you said, this 450,000 to 500,000 yuan, it includes the liver, the postoperative hospitalization and everything else?

Doctor Zhu: Yes, but this is only limited to Zhejiang Province, within Zhejiang Province.

Investigator: Ah, my hometown is in Heilongjiang. If we are from another province, then we have to pay everything out of our pocket?

Doctor Zhu: It depends. Additionally, it could be 50,000 to 100,000 more yuan.

Investigator: Can we transfer to your hospital now? You have any vacant beds now? If we transfer we can directly...

Doctor Zhu: You don't need the tissue typing report, as you went through the examination before. For the liver matching, it would be enough to mainly have a blood type matching. (Investigator: Ah, mainly blood type will do?) Yes, livers are immune favored organs, unlike the kidneys, which require many matching tests. A liver (transplant) only needs to match the blood type. It can be done even across blood types. In some cases, it can be done even when the blood types do not match.

Investigator: Oh, it can be done even when the blood types do not match?

Doctor Zhu: How about this, why don't you come tomorrow?

Investigator: You must give me some time to prepare. How come so suddenly?

Doctor Zhu: No! I didn't mean that we'll do it for you as soon as you come here. It would not be like that. You would still need to join the waiting list first.

Investigator: Oh, as you just told me, you have been doing it these days. So I thought we could get it done upon our arrival. Right?

Doctor Zhu: No, how can it be so fast? Shulan (Hospital) is where the most cases are done in Zhejiang! You can come tomorrow and let us take a look first.

Investigator: Let me clarify, Doctor, are you saying that if we come tomorrow, we should look for you, or somebody else?

Doctor Zhu: We will take a look first. Tomorrow we also...because now...in fact tomorrow is Sunday. So we don't necessarily need to, if his condition is still okay, he does not need to get hospitalized immediately.

Investigator: Ah, that's right. So I'd like to know if you can do the operation quickly, I think, we can join your waiting list first?

Doctor Zhu: Sometimes it depends on the heaven's blessing. Things such as liver (transplants) depend on the blessings from heaven. If you had registered with us here, it would have been done for you as a blood type B a long time ago, because we... we did about ten (cases) of type B.

Investigator: Oh, so many? Well, you still....

Doctor Zhu: Yes, they keep coming for a while from time to time.

Investigator: So for those ten (patients) who got registered, did they get their turns for the transplants according to the queue order or the seriousness of the patients' conditions?

Doctor Zhu: We have a scoring system, a specific one called MELD for terminal liver illnesses. Generally the priorities are given based on the specific scores. But patients from our local area...they can all be treated that way. After the ten cases performed, we basically did the operations for almost all our type B patients. You understand what I mean?

Investigator: So you do a lot in a month, right? I can see you have performed the operations over the last couple of days. If we go to your place, it should be quick as well.

Doctor Zhu: Like those fast cases, recently we come across such cases every week. Recently we have them every week!

Investigator: Isn't that...? I think regarding the speed, as I asked Shulan, they said they are also pretty fast, but not as fast as your place.

Doctor Zhu: Shulan is the fastest, that is indeed true. But that thing, as I said, depends on the heaven's blessing. Usually within three or four month, but Shulan can do it much sooner.

Investigator: Ah, in three or four months it can be surely done, right?

Doctor Zhu: Yeah, but as I heard about your situation, your husband's case is not the most urgent.

Investigator: But we don't want to wait till he cannot make it, when his energy and everything else ...

Doctor Zhu: Right, right, right. This concept is right. This is right. (Investigator: Right, you say those cases in the end...) Some patients have to wait till they get into coma. That is truly too late and too risky.

Investigator: So whom should we make an appointment with? That is, can you tell me whom I should look for? Who is the director in charge of your operations?

Doctor Zhu: Ah, our director, it's mainly our Director Lu, Director Lu Caide. You can search for him, Lu Caide.

Investigator: Lu Caide? Search on your official website, or on Good Doctor Online?

Doctor Zhu: Whatever, they all work. You can even search on Baidu, but Baidu cannot be trusted. So, he is our program director. Underneath him there are several other directors. (Investigator: He does the operation by himself? Several directors all...) Usually he does liver transplants. (Investigator: Oh, so Director Lu for sure does liver transplants, along with others, right?) As for others, they belong to several groups under him, with each group having its own team.

Investigator: Okay, okay. So you say right now, about the pandemic now...is your hospital a designated COVID-19 one? No such (patients), right? I saw that a few days ago....

Doctor Zhu: We are also a designated COVID-19 hospital, one for the pandemic. However, we don't accept that kind of patients—those are sent for centralized treatments, or otherwise. That is, now they must go through strict screening tests before the operations, such as lung CT, the novel coronavirus nucleic acid (test), antibody or whatever. They all need to be checked, still need to be checked.

Investigator: Oh, So the doctors and nurses treating the infectious disease are on a separate team in your hospital? Without...do you have...?

Doctor Zhu: That's for sure! Our hospital does not have any suspected cases. No, there is none here. Suspected cases are all centralized in the Second Hospital. The whole Ningbo City is like that. Those cases are all sent over to Yingzhou People's Hospital, or the Second Hospital.

Investigator: Right, that's quite concerning.

Doctor Zhu: This I can tell you frankly, we also have family, as doctors, we are even more worried than you. We also do strict screening tests.

Investigator: As you just said, we should make an appointment with the one named Director Lu Caide? On which day is he in?

Doctor Zhu: Director Lu is (at the clinic) on Wednesdays, yes. (Investigator: Make an appointment for Wednesday. Let me look up and then...) On Wednesday mornings. (Investigator: On Wednesday mornings, so...) On Wednesday mornings, there is regular clinic. Then Tuesday mornings are for his VIP clinic.

Investigator: So let me ask you, in your situation now, for those with pneumonia, other than bad lungs, can their livers be used?

Doctor Zhu: Those must not be used. Those patients with the novel coronavirus antibody definitely won't be used (as the donors) for you. Antibody donors won't be used for sure. This is more important than anything else! It is a virus that not only attacks the lungs, where serious symptoms can easily be seen, but also affects other parts. So it also gets into the blood.

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Investigator: So as for the liver donors, you can guarantee (the quality), right?

Doctor Zhu: Trust me, regarding the novel coronavirus antibody, let me tell you, if it is the novel coronavirus antibody, the donor...if the liver donor tests positive, we will never do it for you! Should it happen, let me tell you, even the mayor of Ningbo City wouldn't

get away with it, he would lose his job. Let alone the Health Committee, even the mayor would lose his job. It would not impact you alone! You can rest assured on this. We are also afraid. If we do it for you, maybe we can no longer be doctors. No lawsuit is needed, okay?

Investigator: Thank you. What is your name, Doctor?

Doctor Zhu: My last name is Zhu, Zhu as in Zhu De.

Investigator: Oh, Zhu as in Zhu De. You are the (doctor) on duty. You will be at the operation, will you? Will you participate...?

Doctor Zhu: A liver transplant usually requires four people.

Investigator: Oh, four people. You will be there.

Doctor Zhu: Shulan also does it, has been doing it. Shulan has been doing it since a long time ago, since a long time ago!

Investigator: Well, how come they told me they did not start doing it?

Doctor Zhu: Shulan has started doing it for sure, and it has been doing quite a lot.

Investigator: Ah. So you say this pandemic is not over yet?

Doctor Zhu: That's right. Shulan hasn't stopped doing it due to the pandemic. It has never stopped doing it.

Investigator: So Director Lu has done it for many years, right? If he hasn't done it for many years....

Doctor Zhu: Over 300 cases.

Investigator: How many years has he been doing it? Over 300 cases in a year?

Doctor Zhu: Not that many. That's a total number.

Investigator: In total?

Doctor Zhu: It's been many years, over 10 years. If you wish, you can come here on Wednesdays and do an evaluation.

Investigator: Good. That's fine.

Doctor Zhu: Ah, good, good.

Investigator: Thank you then, Doctor Zhu.

Doctor Zhu: Good, good, good.