

追查迫害法輪功國際組織（追查國際）

World Organization to Investigate the Persecution of Falun Gong (WOIPFG)

To investigate the criminal conduct of all institutions, organizations, and individuals involved in the persecution of Falun Gong; to bring such investigation, no matter how long it takes, no matter how far and deep we have to search, to full closure; to exercise fundamental principles of humanity; and to restore and uphold justice in society.

Investigation Recording 2020-087

Date: June 8, 2020 (+86 -15002355050)

Subject(s): Luo Shijiao, Associate Chief Physician of Liver Transplant Center, the First Affiliated Hospital, Chongqing Medical University

Summary

1. Most of the time those DCD (organs) are allocated locally. But occasionally they are allocated from other parts of the country, through the Organ Procurement Organization (OPO).
2. Probably in 2015 we started to implement the DCD business.
3. So now, all must be allocated *via* the Red Cross Society, which is in charge of coordinating all allocations. What does that mean? It means that for those ICU patients, as they are dying of other diseases, with the consent from the family members and the patients themselves, if the family members agree to donate, the Red Cross would coordinate those donations, according to the rating system, on the national registration network. Then you can get registered in the queue on the network. You will get an organ allocated based on the severity of your condition. Once you get such a liver, you can have a liver transplant done.
4. Investigator: If I go through the connections from the prison to acquire a good organ source, is that possible?
Luo Shijiao: That, that's illegal. That is illegal. We don't do that here. I believe other hospitals dare not to do that, either.
5. We have a special registrar and a coordinate in the liver transplant program. So you can come and make an appointment with Doctor Shi at the clinic on Friday and get registered there. Okay?

Translation

Investigator: Hello.

Doctor Luo Shijiao: Hello?

Investigator: Hello, is this Director Luo?

Doctor Luo Shijiao: Please go ahead.

Investigator: I would like to consult you, as my brother wants to have a liver transplant.

Doctor Luo Shijiao: Okay.

Investigator: We got the tissue typing done before the COVID-19 pandemic. But we didn't get it done during the pandemic. Now I would like to see which hospital can do it relatively quickly.

Doctor Luo Shijiao: To get it done quickly? All must wait in line now!

Investigator: So approximately...?

Doctor Luo Shijiao: Now all need to wait for those donors after cardiac death(DCD), which are being used everywhere. But those DCD donations can't be predicted, and are managed by the Red Cross Society. If the Red Cross Society has DCD patients who would like to donate, you can wait in line then. Most of the time those DCD (organs) are allocated locally. But occasionally they are allocated from other parts of the country, through the Organ Procurement Organization (OPO). Those things happen, yeah. The average wait time here is about half a year to one year, with the longest being as long as two years.

Investigator: Director Luo, he has a tumor, or cancer.

Doctor Luo Shijiao: Well, if it's cancer, some patients would have no chances, because many with benign diseases are at the front in the queue. He may have relatively fewer chances if it's cancer.

Investigator: My classmate's relative had it done at your hospital several years ago. He told us that the donor was very good, as it was acquired *via* his connections from the

judicial system. Therefore, that relative in the family has been doing very well and healthy.

Doctor Luo Shijiao: I don't know where you heard that. (Laughter) I don't know where you heard the news, well, well, I have no idea where you heard it. Nowadays, those DCD donations have been implemented in the mainland for a long time. I don't know...you may not know much about it, either, right? Probably in 2015 we started to implement the DCD business, so....

Investigator: Well, I don't know anything about it.

Doctor Luo Shijiao: Oh, let me explain it to you here. So now, all must be allocated *via* the Red Cross Society, which is in charge of coordinating all allocations. What does that mean? It means that for those ICU patients, as they are dying of other diseases, with the consent from the family members and the patients themselves, if the family members agree to donate, the Red Cross would coordinate those donations, according to the rating system, on the national registration network. Then you can get registered in the queue on the network. You will get an organ allocated based on the severity of your condition. Once you get such a liver, you can have a liver transplant done. That's how it works, yeah.

Investigator: Oh.

Doctor Luo Shijiao: You can only, only wait, so there's no other way. After the registration, if there comes such a patient willing to donate, if he has cerebral hemorrhage and is diagnosed as brain-dead. If he is willing to donate, okay, in that case, you can get it then. Otherwise, you have no ways to get one. Yeah, that's how it goes.

Investigator: Well, I'd have to ask for your help here. I mean, if I need...that is, my classmate found one *via* the connections. So if I go through the connections from the prison to acquire a good organ source, is that possible?

Doctor Luo Shijiao: That, that's illegal. That is illegal. We don't do that here. I believe other hospitals dare not to do that, either.

Investigator: Oh...

Doctor Luo Shijiao: I believe...you (laughter), I don't know where you got that information. I think if you are not afraid of going to jail, you can give it a try. Okay?

Investigator: Director Luo, they had it done about four or five years ago.

Doctor Luo Shijiao: Okay, well....

Investigator: If I go and look for you at the hospital, could I call you or...?

Doctor Luo Shijiao: You can contact...we have a special registrar and a coordinator in the liver transplant program. We have a dedicated person in charge of registration, so you come over here. And we also have patients who need liver transplants and are coordinated to come to our clinic. So you can come and make an appointment with Doctor Shi at the clinic on Friday and get registered there. Okay?

Investigator: Okay. Thank you, Director Luo.

Doctor Luo Shijiao: Goodbye.