



Doctor with Liver Transplant Ward, Beijing Youan Hospital

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Highlights

1. For liver transplant, the fastest waiting time would be one or two weeks.
2. Every year around 100 cases are done.
3. They are all brain dead donors.
4. Primarily it's the director doing it.

Recording contents

Nurse: Hello, it's...

Investigator: Hi, hello, hello!

Nurse: Hello, it's...

Investigator: Is this Hepatobiliary at Beijing Youan Hospital?

Nurse: Right.

Investigator: I am doctor from Hebei province, a doctor...I have a patient who wants to do liver transplant. I wanted to ask if your hospital is still doing it?

Nurse: Yes, we do! Let me find you a doctor, okay?

Investigator: Oh, okay! And you know that you are doing quite a few now, right?

Nurse: Right. Now a little less than half of the ward are filled with patients doing liver transplant.

Investigator: Oh, okay, okay. You are going to find me a doctor, right?

Nurse: (Speaking to a doctor at a distance: Someone who wants to do liver transplant)

Doctor: Hello?



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Investigator: Hi, hello, hello. I am a doctor at Handan City Hospital, and I have a patient who wants to do a liver transplant. Well, I'm calling to ask if there are still a lot of patients waiting for the transplant? I mean, is there a long queue?

Doctor: Hmm~, there shouldn't be too many now, and the queue time won't be very long.

Investigator: Isn't that so? What I really mean is, roughly how long does the patient have to wait when he goes there?

Doctor: That depends on his blood type.

Investigator: he has blood type B.

Doctor: For blood type B, it's relatively easy, it should be fairly fast.

Investigator: How long would you say he'd have to wait? I need to give him an answer. I'm asking about this...roughly how long would you say...

Doctor: The fastest would be one or two weeks.

Investigator: Oh, one or two weeks will do. Does your hospital still do a lot of liver transplants? Since many hospitals in Beijing are doing it, he wanted me to ask if your hospital is also doing a lot of them?

Doctor: Yes.

Investigator: Yes, right? You were saying you've a lot this year, right?

Doctor: We are doing a lot this year too.

Investigator: How many liver transplants does the hospital do each year? I wanted to know it too, so that I'll send patients over in future.

Doctor: Well, about one hundred cases!

Investigator: About one hundred cases. Have you done close to one hundred cases this year too?

Doctor: No, not yet this year.

Investigator: You haven't, but you are able to do forty or fifty cases this year, aren't you?

Doctor: Right.

Investigator: Oh, that's good. You normally have no problem getting donors, right? And they are all healthy, right?

Doctor: Right, right, right. They are generally reliable, and they are all brain dead donors.



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Investigator: Brain dead donors...In fact, do you think there are so many people in Beijing donating such brain-dead donors?

Doctor: Now with the civic awareness, with the increasing awareness of donation, there are indeed more and more such donors, there are quite a lot.

Investigator: Isn't that so? Would you say there will be more done this year than last year?

Doctor: What?

Investigator: I mean such liver transplants. Will there be more done this year than last year—more with each passing year?

Doctor: About the same, it's about the same each year.

Investigator: About one hundred cases?

Doctor: Eh, right.

Investigator: Oh, then who's going to perform the surgery when the patient arrives? Which director will be available...will your director or any of the doctors do it?

Doctor: No.

Investigator: Which director is specifically doing this liver transplant?

Doctor: Primarily it's the director doing it.

Investigator: Primarily it's the director doing it, right?

Doctor: Uh. Do you still have any other questions? There are patients wanting to see me here!

Investigator: Okay, okay, okay, that's it for now, and I thank you!

Doctor: Oh, oh, bye for now.