



## Transplantation Nursing Office, Zhengzhou People's Hospital

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### Executive summary

1. Less than 200 cases of kidney were performed in 2017, not as many as before.
2. The liver and kidney transplant recipients are housed in one ward, which has more than 70 beds, and up to 100 beds with extra beds.
3. Question: So (you) have been doing ((transplant surgeries) at full capacity, haven't you?  
Answer: Yes, yes.
4. Liver transplants are conducted by Director Miao, Qingshan Miao while kidney transplants are done by Director Qu.

### Voice Recording Transcription

(Hospital radio: Hello, Department of Organ Transplantation, Zhengzhou People's Hospital, please wait.)

Nurse: Hello?

Investigator: Hi, hello, are you the Zhengzhou People's Hospital?

Nurse: Ah, yes.

Investigator: Hello, I'm from Handan People's Hospital. We've been calling (your department) three times on behalf of a patient of ours. We were told that you have no beds available. Now it's around the Chinese New Year so you may have beds open up, right?

Nurse: So, are you planning to have a transplant surgery?

Investigator: Oh, transplant surgery, kidney transplant.

Nurse: Uh, there is a bed in another ward that has extra beds. There is one, not in this ward, and this particular patient won't be admitted in here, but the doctor is still...the doctor is still the same. The same doctor is in charge, but this patient can't live in this ward.

Investigator: Well, do our kidney transplants and liver transplants belong to the same center? Are they both in the same ward?

Nurse: Ah, yes.

Investigator: You said there are too few beds. (When) I called last year, there were more than 100 beds but (they are) not enough to accommodate (the demand).

Nurse: Well, uh, yes, we have more than 70 beds, plus the extra beds in other wards, which add up to almost 100 beds. Ah, so now that's to say that (patients) can stay in the wards that have the extra beds.



Investigator: So, are these all the beds (you have) including the ones for liver transplants? So, liver transplant beds are separate, aren't they?

Nurse: Ah, yes, (they're) all housed together.

Investigator: Housed together! So, you're saying that the 70 beds are for liver and kidney transplants, all together?

Nurse: Yeah, they are all in one large ward, but in separate (rooms); they are all in this ward, with rooms for liver or kidney transplants separately.

Investigator: But that's to say that, altogether, you said there're 70 beds?

Nurse: Yes.

Investigator: Ah, so, so you say, this patient, that this patient of mine still can't be admitted to this ward, because this patient of mine lives abroad. He came back specifically to do transplant and he's been back since October. He wanted to be admitted, preferably to your hospital but has been unable to get a bed. It's almost near the (Chinese) New Year so he thought that maybe the beds would be opened up and asked me to call again. (It seems that the beds) are still hard to get. I will...

Nurse: Oh, yes.

Investigator: Oh, so he has to use a bed (at a different ward). Then, let me discuss the bed situation with him. And, did you perform a lot of transplants last year? Several hundreds?

Nurse: Uh, not bad

Investigator: When I called in October last year, because I am a doctor myself, Dr. Li he said has done more than two hundred, by the end of the year, almost three hundred by the end of the year. Have you done more than three hundred this year?

Nurse: Well, this year, not as many as last year.

Investigator: You said, not as many this year? You haven't done (as many) this year.

Nurse: Yes, that's right. I know what you mean, it's not, not as many as the year you mentioned.

Investigator: When you said this year, (you mean) 2017, that is, what you did last year...

Nurse: Right.

Investigator: Unable to do two hundred? (Did you) do more than two hundred last year?

Nurse: Uh, no, not that many, anyway.

Investigator: Uh, you said that the number of the kidney transplantation has not yet reached two hundred, not as many as the year before, for example...

Nurse: The specific data is collected by the professionals. Here I'm working at a nursing station. We don't have the statistics, uh, there are those professionals doing office work who collect data, okay?

Investigator: You said you haven't done 200 cases, because it was October when I called. I called at the end of October. Dr. Li answered, and he said he had done almost two hundred; he said he would reach 200 soon. How about this, that I'll talk to my patient, discuss with him and see if he wants to stay in what you call...the extra, extra care unit.

Nurse: Oh, oh, okay, alright, um.



Investigator: If he wants to, I'll let him come. Because, I would like to ask you again, because I myself am a doctor, but I...

Nurse: Is he going to have a liver or a kidney transplant?

Investigator: Kidney replacement.

Nurse: I see.

Investigator: kidney replacement, is it faster...Does it seem that it's faster to have kidney transplants?

Nurse: Not so, I was just asking, mm.

Investigator: Oh, I see, okay. How about liver? Do you perform more liver (transplants)...

Nurse: no, no, I just asked a casual question, heh, heh, heh. Because though you have talked for a while, I still do not know what (your) patient needs.

investigator: kidney, kidney transplant, I was just asking you (about the liver transplants).

Nurse: Okay.

Investigator: I am a doctor myself. I am asking in passing (so that) I don't have to keep calling you. The liver transplants you have done, have we done a lot of liver transplant last year? Liver transplants, not as many as kidney ones?

Nurse: Hum, hum, the thing is that I don't have the data for you right now.

Investigator: Oh, that's fine ....

Nurse: Because I, I, I don't have the statistics here, you know that, right? There are professionals doing statistics. Here I'm working at a nurse station. We don't have statistics, no statistical data.

Investigator: Oh, no problem, it's okay, it's okay, I understand. So, you have dozens of beds, fully occupied every day. Are there other types of patients?

Nurse: No, all of ours are transplant patients.

Investigator: Oh, so every month it's pretty full, isn't it?

Nurse: Yes, yes.

Investigator: How many extra beds can you add?

Nurse: We, we put extra ones inside the rooms (in our ward).

Investigator: Oh, inside the room, not outside

Nurse: oh yes.

Investigation: If the room is full, you can't add (more beds) to... heh, heh, heh

Nurse: That's right, what we can add are up to a point, and once they're full, no more (patients) can be admitted.

Investigator: Well, so you said that you can put up to 100 beds inside. Just keep adding more, so...

Nurse: You can't add anymore. It's enough. It has been enough. No more can be added, heh, heh.



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Investigator: Ha, how many do you say if you can add to the maximum? You just said, up to one hundred.

Nurse: Yes, yes.

Investigator: Okay, then I will discuss with the patient to see if he is willing, since it's almost (Chinese) New Year, almost (Chinese) New Year.

Nurse: OK, um, good, good, um, OK.

Investigator: Are kidney transplant surgeries still (going to be done by) the so-called Qu?

Nurse: Yes, yes, Director Qu.

Investigator: Director Qu will be doing them. Then liver transplants still are being done by Miao. Is Miao doing them?

Nurse: Oh, yes, yes.

Investigator: Oh, okay, okay, okay then. Thank you. Hey, bye now.

Nurse: Well, um, okay, okay, okay, bye, um.