



Investigation Respondent: Nurse, Kidney Transplant, Third Hospital of Datong City

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Summary

1. Go see Li Haichao, President Li, or Director Wei, they are both okay.
2. I am a nurse of general care, not one at ICU, and my last name is Liu.
3. Every where in the nation, I feel, you definitely have to spend some money underneath; the more you spend, the more quickly you'll get it done.
4. Just contact President Li, he is the one responsible for these.
5. For hospitalization alone, you have to pay 100,000 rmb yuan as deposit. And the things you do beforehand, it's not clear, as they are uncertain, not fixed. If you have connections, you'll pay less, otherwise you'll pay more. This is hard to say.
6. Surgery fee will be about 80,000 rmb yuan, or 100,000 rmb yuan, no more than 100,000 rmb yuan.
7. Surgery fee is not expensive. It's the seaching for kidney supply, which is not fixed, and it will be between 500,000 and 600,000 rmb yuan for that.
8. Anyway, if you decide on doing it, you will need to be mentally prepared for any results.

Investigation Recording

Investigator: Hello, how are you?

Nurse: Hello?

Investigator: Hi, this is the Third Hospital of Datong City, right? This is what I want...I want to take my family member to your hospital as soon as possible. That is, I...how could I get a kidney supply as soon as possible, or, based on your experience, how long do we have to wait at your hospital?

Nurse: I'm not sure about this. You can call back during business hours and ask to talk to that...they have a special...

Investigator: Li Haichao, right?

Nurse: Director Wei...ah...Wei...ah, right. They're on the same team. Director Wei, Li Hai...President Li, the former president, President Haichao, they are all alright.

Investigator: Oh, the hospital president.

Nurse: They're sourcing the organs for patients. We just provide the facility for their operations. When they have organ supplies and are ready for surgery, we will be getting things ready, such as sterilization and so on.

Investigator: Oh, understood.



Nurse: Right, they're the ones reaching out.

Investigator: Generally how many cases can you do? As far as you know, are there many patients needing transplants?

Nurse: On average, one case a month.

Investigator: One case a month?

Nurse: Yes. Only one patient at a time.

Investigator: Not too bad. If in a month we can wait...

Nurse: Every where in the nation, I feel, you definitely have to spend some money underneath; the more you spend, the more quickly you'll get it done. To do this...yeah, definitely, for more or for less, you'll have to spend some. There are also those who have rejection symptoms, but in the end they are all doing fine in recovery after taking medications.

Investigator: May I have your last name?

Nurse: I am just a nurse of general care, not one at ICU, and my last name is Liu. I work in a regular unit. I'm not an ICU nurse. My last name is Liu.

Investigator: No problem. Let's get acquainted. If I really go to your hospital, I'll see you. What is your last name? As you mentioned, one case a month, then which doctor should we talk to? Who does it better?

Nurse: You definitely should see...just ask to see President Li. President Li is the one primarily responsible for these things.

Investigator: President Li, President Li Haichao, right?

Nurse: Yes. You...you ask him, seek some advice from him.

Investigator: And then, approximately how much will it cost?

Nurse: For hospitalization alone, you have to pay 100,000 rmb yuan as deposit. And the things you do beforehand, it's not clear, as they are uncertain, not fixed. If you have connections, you'll pay less, otherwise you'll pay more. This is hard to say.

Investigator: That's not much.

Nurse: Yes. The surgery fee....right, the surgery fee is around 80,000 rmb yuan.



Investigator: 80,000 rmb yuan for surgery.

Nurse: If, during surgery, the patient has additional needs, such as blood transfusion or, due to sudden illness change, transfer to ICU, that would be 70,000 to 80,000 rmb yuan on average, around 80,000 rmb yuan.

Investigator: 70,000 to 80,000 rmb yuan.

Nurse: At most 100,000 rmb yuan. It would be no more than 100,000 rmb yuan.

Investigator: Let's say, we'd like to pay a little more money, so that the patient gets a better surgery, that's what I mean.

Nurse: The surgery fee isn't expensive. But the kidney sourcing fee is not fixed. It can be 500,000 to 600,000 rmb yuan.

Investigator: Will this be provided by the hospital, or do we have to apply for it separately? Or ...through what channel?

Nurse: Ah, this...I...they will contact the red cross center for you, you just wait in line. I am not too sure about the details.

Investigator: Oh.

Nurse: Anyway, if you decide on doing it, you will need to be mentally prepared for any results.

Investigator: Thank you so much. Again, may I have your last name?

Nurse: My last name is Liu.

Investigator: Miss Liu, okay, thanks, thanks, thank you very much.