

Subject: Re: Dad's CT test results

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Yes, unless it's inpatient rehab, it would be very difficult. Transferring dad right now would be difficult also.

H

On Thu, Jul 13, 2023, 7:51 AM Mark Cao <mark.cao@gmail.com> wrote:

I should also mention what the case manager (Brian) told me yesterday. He looked into whether rehab can be done elsewhere, but the answer is pretty much no. That is an unusual circumstance they aren't able to plan for. the more nuanced answer was:

- * Normally he would rehab in OC, then improve before being transferred elsewhere (possibly relocation).

- * He mentioned about a "remote" rehab transfer started several months ago that went nowhere. The destination location was unresponsive.

- * I told him that an outpatient rehab in OC would be completely unworkable, as there's nobody here to support Dad.

Given all that, Brian said he'd research some more and talk to me again today.

Huy

On Thu, Jul 13, 2023 at 7:36 AM Hanh Cao Yu <hanh.cao.yu@stanfordalumni.org> wrote:

Thanks for the update. So you need for me to go to OC? If yes, I'm thinking of renting a car and driving down.

H.

On Thu, Jul 13, 2023, 7:17 AM Mark Cao <mark.cao@gmail.com> wrote:

Hanh,

There were at least three CT scans done on him. The first showed nothing. The second (or it could be the MRI) showed a blood clot. Then they did the third one because they suspected progression, but fortunately, the third scan did not show further clotting or other advances.

The head nurse told me the stroke was complete, which I believe means the stroke has stabilized, and the test results are valid. Here's where he currently stands:

- * verbal use of language, very poor. He definitely has problems saying words, but the problem

is more than motor skills.

- * right side of the body is much weaker than the left. Poor control.

- * he has to both poop and pee in bed.

- * he seems to have discomfort more than any kind of pain.*

- * he seems a bit depressed.

- * cognitive abilities are poorer than when I saw him last weekend. Hopefully that is just temporary.

Today, the PT and occupational therapist will both evaluate, and recommend a plan for transfer to rehab. Given his condition and situation, you would think they would recommend an inpatient setting for the next stage, but I understand these decisions are financially driven.

If they do recommend an outpatient arrangement for rehab, I don't know how that could possibly work from OC.

Huy

On Thu, Jul 13, 2023 at 6:40 AM Hanh Cao Yu <hanh.cao.yu@stanfordalumni.org> wrote:

Huy... Any update on Dad?

His test results had very technical language but one of the things I saw from the CT scan was: "There is extensive hypoattenuation in the periventricular white matter."

This suggests: Periventricular white matter hyperintensities increase the likelihood of progression from amnesic mild cognitive impairment to dementia.

Dad already has dementia but I wonder the effects of the stroke on his cognitive abilities.

H.