

Title: Only said “money is not a problem”, good boss pays for brain tumour surgery fees for Chinese worker

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Summary: When 37-year-old Chinese worker, Mr Zhou discovered that he had a tumour in his brain, his employer, Mr Albert Oon (Managing Director of Shun Zhou Group) not only paid for his surgery which cost \$20,000, but also allowed him to return to his home in Jiangsu to rest. When interviewed, the other workers of Shun Zhou Group also indicated that Mr Oon has always been a kind-hearted employer who looked after the well-being of his employees without asking for anything in return. For example, Mr Zhou had previously asked to return home to visit his mother who was critically ill. Even though he had just started working at the company for less than 40 days, his employer gave him paid leave of 17 days, and also handed him \$1,000 to bring home, without asking Mr Zhou to repay him.

When interviewed, Mr Albert Oon, who received the Entrepreneur of the Year Award 2013, said that in Mr Zhou’s case, it was money well spent to save a person’s life and he never expected to receive anything in return. Mr Zhou has indicated that he will return to work for Mr Oon once he recovers from his surgery, in order to repay his employer’s kindness to him.

只说“钱不是问题” 好老板为中国客工支付脑瘤手术费

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37岁的周方亮来自中国江苏，前来本地工作仅半年，就发现自己的脑部长瘤，幸好他在新加坡遇到了一个好老板。

周方亮育有一对子女，是家中唯一的经济支柱，他在得知脑部扫描结果后，心想“完蛋了”。他原本想回老家筹手术费，但他的老板顺洲集团董事经理温淙凯（42岁）不同意他这么做，温淙凯一句“钱不是问题”，就把他安排到国大医院接受手术。

周方亮是在上个月中旬感到身体不适，到诊所看病后又吐又晕，由路人送回工厂，公司随后送他到医院去接受检查，发现他双眼后面长了大脑垂体瘤，若情况严重会导致失明或瘫痪。

他说：“我没想到老板会让在这边治病，因为这里的医药费太贵了，我想回江苏医治，大不了回家砸锅卖铁。医生也同意了，但老板说不行。老板跟我说，新加坡的医疗水平很高，他能为我请很好的医生，要是我回中国自己哪有那么多钱？”

“我知道在中国的小城市没办法动这个手术，一定要到省里，或是北京上海等大城市去。老板给我请了很好的医生，医生从鼻子里面做内窥镜手术，把面积大概是两公分乘三分的瘤取出来，一点伤口都看不到。”

老板温淙凯： 两万元换一条人命很值得

据了解，手术费大概两万元，但周方亮表示，老板“提都没提”。即使周方亮在手术后决定回家休养几个月再回来工作，老板也没有反对，只要求他一定要在本地复诊，确定没事才能回家。

老板温淙凯受访时说：“两万多元换一



当温淙凯（左）得知周方亮大脑长瘤，二话不说就安排他在本地留医，让周方亮深感自己遇上了好人。（陈渊庄摄）

条人命是值得的，方亮这七个月在这里也很勤劳。即使他过后选择不回来，想待在老家做比较轻松的工作也没关系。毕竟，我帮他也不是要他回来为我工作，随缘就好。”

周方亮受访时说，他觉得新加坡人普遍上都很好，乐于助人。

周方亮之前在中国当钢工，去年9月在老乡介绍下，从中国来到新加坡，在温淙凯的五金厂当包装工。

周方亮透露，其实老板对他的好不是头一遭。周方亮去年开工不到40天，因为患癌的母亲快不行，家人要他赶快回家看母亲最后一眼。当时，他心想才刚工作怎么能回去，但没想到一开口，公司就让他买最早的机票回家。

他说：“我临走时，老板还亲自到工

厂给我1000元，要我拿着回去用。他说不必还，发薪水时也没扣。我那次回家17天，那个月的工资还是全给了我。我觉得自己遇到好人了。”

老板不只对他好，据其他员工透露，老板平时都会帮员工求平安符和点祈福灯。

温淙凯表示，除了周方亮，在公司服务四五十年的一名老员工，最近被诊断出患有心脏病，公司也正在协助他支付医药费。

这名去年获得“成熟企业家奖”的老板说：“钱永远赚不完，几万块说多也不多，说少也不少，但拿出来救人还不至于会少一块肉。”

尽管周方亮日前已回国，但他受访时说，他会在养好身体后回来继续工作，报答老板。