

*“Mr Lee’s treatment, a combination of Western medicine and acupuncture, has resulted in some powerful therapeutic benefit for him.”*

## OVERCOMING OBSTACLES WITH MEDICAL TRIUMPHS

In November 2009, Mr Lee Yuok Lean fell and suffered serious head injuries. He was admitted to Tan Tock Seng Hospital and soon slipped into a coma. Diagnosed with internal bleeding, he was also exhibiting signs of left-sided weakness. As a result of the accident, Mr Lee was rendered bedridden and physically dependent on his caregivers. He was also unable to speak.

On 23 December 2009, Mr Lee was referred to ECON Medicare Centre in Buangkok. With the consent from Mr Lee’s family, our ECON Chinese Medicine Physician, Mr Lee Choon Tiam, assessed his condition and noted that Mr Lee was experiencing severe functional decline. By this time, the patient was on a nasogastric feeding tube, completely bedridden and was unable to communicate.

The physician prescribed acupuncture treatment, and this was given to Mr Lee three times per week. The treatment targeted the acupuncture points of Mr

Lee’s head, hands and legs.

After only a few sessions of acupuncture, Mr Lee’s condition improved considerably. His nasogastric tube was removed, and he was able to take diluted food. His family were overjoyed when he began to recognise them again and give some simple verbal responses.

Mr Lee has regained some of his former strength and is now using a wheelchair to move about. His daughter told us, “We are looking forward to bringing him home soon when he is fully recovered”.

Mr Lee’s treatment, a combination of Western medicine and acupuncture, has resulted in some powerful therapeutic benefits for him. Following our interview, Mr Lee was taken for a stroll by his family. There is no better path to recovery than treatment performed by a cohesive team of health-care professionals, coupled with strong, constant family support.



**Senior Physician  
Lee Choon Tiam**  
李浚添高级医师

TCM Faculty University of Xiamen, China  
Singapore College of Traditional Chinese Medicine  
中国厦门大学中医内科专科  
新加坡中医学院