Joint UKBTS / HPA Professional Advisory Committee (1) Summary Sheet

1.	Paper for the JPAC meeting on:	15 March 2012
2.	Date submitted:	9 March 2012
3.	Title (including version no.):	Toxoplasmosis DSG entry
4.	Author(s):	Sue Barnes on behalf of SACTTI
5.	Brief summary:	In March 2009 SACTTI did a risk assessment on Toxoplasmosis and it was recommended that 'that no specific measures are required by the UK blood services with respect to Toxoplasmosis'. This recommendation was approved by JPAC subject to review of heart valves and other tissues risk.
		The BSQR require a 6 month deferral. Historically the DSG has had a deferral for 'chronic' toxoplasmosis. SAC CSD has reviewed the recommendations and recommends a simplified DSG entry with a 6 month deferral and removal of the acute/chronic categories. This recommendation and the issue of tissue infectivity has been reviewed by SAC TCTP and approved.
6.	Action required by JPAC: (What do you want JPAC to do in response to this paper?) e.g.	
	endorse a specific recommendation	
	advise where there is a choice of possible actions	
	 advise on priorities within the work plan 	
	• provide a steer on policy	
7.	Any other relevant information:	Current and recommended DSG entries
		BSQR entry
		Extract from JPAC minutes for 12/3/2009 and Risk assessment
		Email from Phil Yates chair SAC TCTP and extract from their minutes.

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