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Implementation: To be determined by each Service

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Endoscopy

Applies to the Tissue Donor Selection Guidelines for Live Donors, Cord Blood Donor Selection Guidelines, and Bone Marrow and PBSC Donor Selection Guidelines

Please remove this topic.

Endoscopy

-Obligatory	Must not donate if: Less than four months from an examination with a flexible endoscope.
<i>Discretionary</i>	If the examination has been carried out with a rigid endoscope (eg some colposcopies and proctoscopies), the donor is well and not waiting for further tests or results, accept.
See if Relevant	<u>Surgery</u>
Additional Information	Flexible endoscopes can be difficult to disinfect. There have been cases where infection has been passed from person to person by examination and biopsy using this type of instrument.
	This guidance presumes that a validated NAT test for hepatitis C is negative, if this test is stopped for any reason the guidance will change.
Reason for Change	The deferral period has been reduced from 6 to 4 months to reflect updated JPAC Standing Advisory Committee on Transfusion Transmitted Infections guidance on infection risk. (JPAC paper 09-34).

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