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Toxoplasmosis

These changes apply to the Deceased and Living Tissue Donor Selection Guidelines

Please modify "Obligatory", "See if Relevant", "Additional Information" and "Reason for Change" as follows:

Obligatory

Must not donate if:

~~Less than six months from recovery.~~

Confirmed current active infection at the time of donation.

See if Relevant

[Infection - Acute](#)

Additional Information

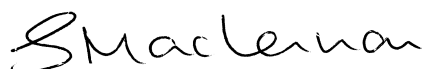
This is a common parasitic infection, often spread by cat faeces or eating undercooked meat. It can be spread through transfusion. It may have serious consequences or even prove fatal for the recipient. Usually it does not cause symptoms, as the body's immune system easily overcomes the parasite.

~~If the infection has caused symptoms that has led to it being diagnosed, waiting six months from recovery will make it unlikely that it will be passed on by donation.~~

Testing of tissue donors is not required. Toxoplasma IgG results from organ donors, if available, do not require further investigation.

Reason for Change

To clarify that toxoplasma IgG results from organ donors, if available do not require further investigation



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