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# Infection - Chronic

**Applies to the Whole Blood and Components Donor Selection Guidelines only**

<b>Definition</b>	<p><b>Chronic:</b> Continuing, or possibly continuing, infection, even without symptoms or signs of infection.</p> <p><b>Systemic:</b> Any medicine taken by mouth, injection or suppository. It does not include local skin or nail treatments, or drops or creams used in the eye, ear or nose.</p>
<b>Obligatory</b>	<p><b>Must not donate:</b></p> <p><b>Contact with:</b> <b>See:</b> <a href="#">Infectious Diseases - Contact With</a> Or <a href="#">Non-Contagious Diseases - Contact With</a></p>
<b>Discretionary</b>	<p><b>1. Acne:</b> Most donors with acne can be accepted but this depends on the type of treatment and lack of any secondary infection.</p> <p><b>2. Chronic superficial fungal infections:</b> a) If on local therapy only, accept.  b) If more than seven days from completing systemic antifungal therapy, accept.</p> <p><b>3. Typhoid and Paratyphoid</b> If more than seven days from completion of antibiotic course and last symptoms, accept</p>

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**See if Relevant**

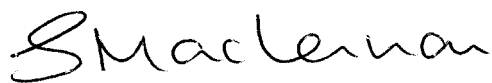
Acne  
Endocarditis  
Hepatitis  
Hepatitis A  
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Hepatitis C  
Hepatitis E  
Herpes Simplex  
HIV  
HTLV  
Malaria  
Osteomyelitis  
Prion Associated Diseases  
Sexually Transmitted Disease  
Skin Disease  
South American Trypanosomiasis  
Steroid Therapy  
Surgery  
Syphilis  
Thrush  
Toxoplasmosis  
Tuberculosis

**Additional Information**

Many infections can be spread by donated material. It is important that the donor does not pose a risk of giving an infection to a recipient. Some infections may appear to have resolved but are only controlled by the person's immune system. If material from them is given to a recipient without immunity, severe infection may result. Typhoid and Paratyphoid are gastrointestinal infections which rarely have a chronic carrier state. It is usually caught while travelling. It is passed by the faecal oral route and is not transfusion transmitted.

**Reason for Change**

To add entry for Typhoid and Paratyphoid.



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