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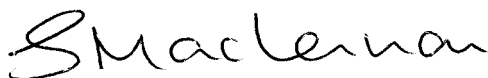
Implementation: To be determined by each Service

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Chest Pain

Applies to the Whole Blood and Components Donor Selection Guidelines only

Obligatory	Must not donate if: a) Due to heart disease. b) The cause is not known.
Discretionary	If donor has been investigated for chest pain and causes that would otherwise result in deferral have been excluded such as ischaemic heart disease, pulmonary embolism or infection, accept.
See if Relevant	<u>Autoimmune Disease</u> <u>Cardiovascular Disease</u>
Additional Information	It is important not to take a donation from an individual with ischaemic heart disease as any lowering of blood pressure could result in a heart attack. If the cause of any chest pain has not been investigated it could potentially be due to heart disease and a donation should not be taken.
Reason for Change	To clarify the discretionary acceptance criteria.



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