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This change applies to the Whole Blood and Components Donor Selection Guidelines only

Kidney and Bladder Disease

Please modify entry 1. as follows:

1. Acute Nephritis (to include Pyelonephritis, Acute tubular interstitial nephritis and Glomerulonephritis)

Definitions

**Pyelonephritis**: acute nephritis due to ascending infection

**Acute tubular interstitial nephritis**: acute nephritis caused by an 'allergic reaction' to medication, rarely as part of a systemic often autoimmune disease.

**Glomerulonephritis**: May be **primary** intrinsic to the kidney or **secondary**, associated with certain infections, drugs, systemic disorders (SLE, vasculitis), or diabetes.

Obligatory

**Must not donate if:**
If under active investigation, treatment or specialist follow-up by a specialist.

Discretionary

If well, on no treatment and is discharged from follow-up, accept

See if Relevant

**Autoimmune Disease**

Additional Information

Self-limiting renal disease e.g. single attacks of glomerulonephritis or pyelitis, from which recovery has been complete, do not necessarily disqualify the donor.

If there is doubt about the diagnosis refer to a 'Designated Clinical Support Officer'.

Reason for change

The deferral period following an attack of 'Acute Nephritis' has been clarified.

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