Body Piercing

Applies to the following:

- Tissue Donor Selection Guidelines - Live Donors
- Tissue Donor Selection Guidelines - Deceased Donors
- Cord Blood Donor Selection Guidelines
- Bone Marrow and Peripheral Blood Stem Cell Donor Selection Guidelines

Including Permanent and Semi-permanent Makeup

Obligatory Must not donate if:

Less than four months after last piercing.

Additional Information

Piercing has passed infection from person to person. Waiting four months helps to ensure that the infections tested for by the Blood & Tissue Services will be picked up.

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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