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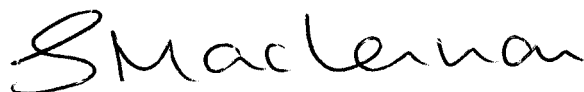
**Implementation:** To be determined by each Service

## **Change Notification UK National Blood Services No. 22 - 2009**

### **Inoculation Injury**

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

<b>Obligatory</b>	<b>Must not donate if:</b> With material containing abnormal prions.  Less than 12 months after the date of an inoculation injury, or contamination of mucosa or non-intact skin with blood or body fluids.
<b>Discretionary</b>	If after 4 months a validated test for hepatitis B core antibody is negative, accept.
<b>Additional Information</b>	Inoculation injury has passed infection from person to person. Waiting twelve months helps to ensure that the infections tested for by the Blood 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.
<b>Reason for Change</b>	To reflect updated JPAC Standing Advisory Committee on Transfusion Transmitted Infections guidance on infection risk in line with The Blood Safety and Quality Regulations 2005.



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