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Additional Donor Requirements

Prevention & Early Detection & Treatment

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Medical Conditions Affecting Donation

Alpha-1-Antitrypsin	Accept if asymptomatic and not taking replacement therapy
ALS	Permanent deferral
Anaphylactoid Purpura	Accept if recovered and asymptomatic
Anaplasmosis	Accept if treatment completed & feeling well. Defer for 90 days if untreated
Aneurysms	Aortic or cerebral, if surgically corrected and asymptomatic, defer for 6 months from date of surgery. If not surgically corrected, a letter of medical clearance is needed
Angina	Acceptable 3 months after last symptom with a letter of medical clearance from physician
Angioedema	Defer if cause is genetic. Accept if stable and symptom free
Angioplasty	Accept 6 months after procedure if donor is asymptomatic, has no limitations on activity and has a letter of medical clearance
Animal bites	Domestic pets- accept if wound is healed
Animal needle stick	Defer for one year if exposed to any animal's blood through a needle stick
Ankylosing Spondylitis	Accept
Anthrax	Defer until full course of treatment is completed
Antiphospholipid Antibody syndrome	Accept if symptom free
Aortic Stenosis	Accept 6 months after surgical repair if donor is asymptomatic

and has no limitations on activity

Arrhythmias	A donor with a history of arrhythmia can be accepted if asymptomatic, has no history of other cardiac problems and has a letter of medical clearance
Arteriovenous (AV) Malformation	Accept if surgically corrected and asymptomatic for 6 months from date of surgery. If not surgically corrected, a medical clearance is needed
Arthritis	Accept (both osteoarthritis and rheumatoid arthritis)
Asbestosis	If causing permanent lung disease-permanent deferral, otherwise accept
Asthma	Accept if asymptomatic
Atrial Fibrillation	Accept if asymptomatic, has no history of other cardiac problems and has a letter of medical clearance
BCG (Bacillus Calmette Guerin)	Defer for 2 weeks after treatment with BCG
Bee stings	One day deferral
Bell's Palsy	Accept
Benign Prostatic Hypertrophy (BPH)	Accept
Bladder polyps	Accept if benign. Defer 2 weeks after treatment with BCG
Bone marrow donor	Defer for 8 weeks from marrow harvest
Bowen's Disease	Accept

Bright's Disease	Accept if no chronic renal disease
Brucellosis	Accept if treatment completed and feeling well. If untreated, defer 90 days
Buerger's Disease	Permanent deferral
Bursitis	Accept
Cancer	Defer 5 years after completion of treatment, with no recurrence for any history of leukemia, lymphoma, myeloma or Hodgkin's Disease No deferral period for localized skin cancer (basal or squamous cell and melanoma in-situ) if completely excised and healed Defer one year after treatment is completed for other cancers in remission Acceptable after completion of treatment for papillary thyroid carcinoma
Carcinoma-in-situ of the vulva, cervix or breast	Acceptable after completion of treatment
Cardiac Ablation	Acceptable after 6 months, if asymptomatic with letter of medical clearance from physician
Cardiac Arrest	Accept 6 months with a letter of medical clearance from physician
Cardiomyopathy	Accept 6 months from last symptom with a letter of medical clearance from physician
Carotid Bruit	Permanent deferral

Carpal Tunnel Syndrome	Accept
Casts	Accept if a simple fracture. If surgery, defer until cast removed and healed
Cat-Scratch Disease	Accept after resolved and treatment completed
Cerebral Palsy	Accept
Cervical dysplasia	Accept
Chest pain	Defer unless evaluated by MD and not due to heart disease
Chicken Pox	If not previously immunized or infected, defer 4 weeks after exposure. Defer 4 weeks from active infection
Chikungunya	Accept one month after recovery
Chlamydia	Accept
Chronic Fatigue Syndrome	If diagnosed by a MD-permanent deferral
Chronic Granulomatosis	Permanent deferral
Cirrhosis	Permanent deferral
Coagulation Factor Deficiencies	Permanent deferral except for Factor XII (12) deficiency
Coccidiomycosis	Permanent deferral if disseminated or extrapulmonary. If pulmonary, defer 1 year after diagnosis provided treatment is complete
Cold sore	Accept if dry and healing

Colds	Defer for active symptoms of a cold, flu or upper respiratory infection and for 3 days after symptoms have subsided
Colitis	Defer for 3 days after last episode of diarrhea
Collagen Vascular Diseases	Accept if asymptomatic
Congenital heart disease	Accept if asymptomatic with no limitation of activity. If surgically corrected, accept after 6 months if asymptomatic with no limitation of activity
Congestive heart failure	Accept 6 months from last symptom resolved with a letter of medical clearance from physician
Conjunctivitis	Defer until resolved
Contrast for medical imaging	Defer for 48 hours
Convulsions	Accept if no seizure in the past month
COPD	Accept if asymptomatic
Coronary artery bypass surgery	Accept 6 months after surgery if donor is asymptomatic with no limitation on activity and has a letter of medical clearance. If due to a heart attack, accept one year later if asymptomatic with no limit on activity and with a letter of medical clearance
Costochondritis	Accept
Covid 19	Defer 14 days from positive test and/or and resolution of symptoms
Coxsackie Virus	Accept if recovered and no jaundice occurred

Crest Syndrome	Accept if asymptomatic
Crohn's disease	Accept if asymptomatic and no diarrhea for 3 days
Cryptococcosis	Accept if asymptomatic. Permanent deferral if extrapulmonary
Cryptosporidiosis	Accept if asymptomatic and off treatment
Cushing Syndrome	Accept if cured
Cystic Fibrosis	Accept if no current respiratory infection
Cystitis	Accept after resolved and treatment completed
Deep Vein Thrombosis (DVT)	Accept if resolved and at least one month after completion of anticoagulant therapy
Dengue Fever	Acceptable 28 days after resolution of symptoms
Dermatomyositis	Accept if asymptomatic
Diabetes Mellitus	Accept- if on insulin must be stable and have eaten before donation
Diabetes Insipidus	Accept
Dialysis	Permanent deferral
Diarrhea	Defer for 3 days
Diverticular Disease	Accept if symptom free for 3 days
Ebola	Defer 28 days after contact with an infected person. Defer one year after having Ebola virus disease

Ehlers Danlos Syndrome	Acceptable
Ehrlichiosis	Accept if asymptomatic and treatment completed
Embolism	<p>Pulmonary embolism: accept if resolved and at least one month after completion of anticoagulant treatment.</p> <p>Brain embolism: accept if one year after the stroke, and donor is stable without deficits and anticoagulant therapy completed for at least one month</p> <p>Limb embolism: Accept if resolved and at least one month since completion of anticoagulant therapy</p>
Emphysema	Accept if asymptomatic
Encephalitis	Accept 4 weeks after recovery
Endocarditis	Accept if condition resolved and treatment completed
Endometriosis	Accept
Epstein Barr	Accept if recovered
Erythema nodosum	Accept if recovered and asymptomatic
Esophagitis	Accept if asymptomatic and no underlying disease
Factor V Leiden	<p>RBC only, if off anticoagulant therapy for at least one month.</p> <p>No plasma or platelets</p>
Factor XI deficiency	Permanent deferral
Factor XII deficiency	Accept

Fibromyalgia	Accept
Fibromyositis	Accept
Fifth Disease	Defer 21 days after exposure
Food Poisoning	Defer for 72 hours after symptoms stop
G6PD deficiency	Accept for platelets. Defer for blood
Genital herpes	Accept
Genital warts	Accept
Giardiasis	Accept after resolved and treatment completed
Gilbert's Disease	Accept
Glomerulonephritis	Permanent deferral if chronic renal disease
Gout	Accept
Granuloma Annulare	Accept as long as antecubital area not involved
Granuloma Inguinale	Accept after treatment completed and lesions healed
Grave's Disease	Accept once donor has normal thyroid function
Grover's disease	Accept if antecubital area is not involved
Guillain-Barre	Accept if resolved and asymptomatic
Hashimoto's disease	Accept

Heart attack	Accept 6 months with a letter of medical clearance from physician
Heart murmur	Accept if asymptomatic and has no activity limitations
Hemachromatosis	Permanent deferral
Hematuria	Defer until evaluated by MD
Hemophilia	Permanent deferral
Henoch-Schonlein Purpura	Defer until disease inactive. Permanent deferral if renal failure present
Hepatitis A	Defer for 120 days after diagnosis
Hereditary Spherocytosis	Defer for blood donation. Accept for platelets and plasma
Hirschsprung's Disease	Accept if resolved and asymptomatic
Histoplasmosis	Accept if inactive disease, defer if disease is active
Human bite	Defer one year if skin was broken
Huntington's Disease	Accept
Hyper or hypoparathyroidism	Accept if asymptomatic
Hypoglycemia	Accept
Irritable bowel syndrome	Defer for 3 days after last episode of diarrhea
Isosporiasis	Permanent deferral if chronic intestinal infection

ITP

Acceptable if completely recovered

Jaundice

Permanent deferral if cause is unknown or associated with hepatitis B or C. Accept if jaundice as a newborn, secondary to gallstones or mono, Gilbert's disease or drug sensitivity

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