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FOR THE MEDIA

Abscesses

Accept after resolved and treatment completed

Acoustic Neuroma

Accept if benign, if malignant accept one year after treatment completed

Actinomycosis

Acceptable after condition resolved and treatment completed

Acute Tubular Necrosis

Accept if recovered and renal function normal

Addison's Disease

Acceptable

Adenoma

Accept if benign, if malignant defer one year after treatment completed

Medical Conditions	Eligibility
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
Medical Conditions

Accept 6 months after surgical repair if donor is asymptomatic
Eligibility
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)

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 Medical Conditions	Accept Eligibility
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

Medical Conditions

Carpal Tunnel Syndrome

Eligibility

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

Coagualtion 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

Medical Conditions	Eligibility
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

Medical Conditions	Eligibility
Crest Syndrome	Accept if asymptomatic
Crohn's disease	Accept if asymptomatic and no diarrhea for 3 days
Cryptococciosis	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 month after symptoms resolve

Medical Conditions	year after having Ebola virus disease
Ehlers Danlos Syndrome	Eligibility Acceptable
Ehrlichiosis	Accept if asymptomatic and treatment completed
Embolism	Pulmonary embolism: accept if resolved and at least one month after completion of anticoagulant treatment. Brain embolism: accept if one year after the stroke, and donor is stable without deficits and anticoagulant therapy completed for at least one month Limb embolism: Accept if resolved and at least one month since completion of anticoagulant therapy
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	RBC only, if off anticoagulant therapy for at least one month. No plasma or platelets
Factor XI deficiency	Permanent deferral
Factor XII deficiency	Accept

Medical Conditions	Eligibility
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

Medical Conditions

Heart attack

Eligibility

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

Medical Conditions
ITP

Eligibility
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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