

Innoculation injury

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Condition

Accidental penetration of the skin, or splash in the eye, with an object potentially contaminated with human bodily fluids.

Individual at risk

Recipient

Guidance at RECRUITMENT for adult volunteer donor and maternal donor (cord blood donation)

ACCEPTABLE

Guidance at CT/WORK-UP

Acceptable if four months have passed since injury and validated nucleic acid testing (NAT) is used for hepatitis B and C.

Unacceptable if needle/instrument may have been contaminated with abnormal prion protein.

This deferral period may be shortened at the discretion of the requesting transplant centre.

Justification for guidance

There is a risk of transmission of blood-borne viruses through an accidental inoculation injury if the offending instrument is contaminated with bodily fluids.

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