

DHQ Changes
June 2005 Flowchart Composite

Flowchart	Change	Rationale
Flowchart 1	Revised donor eligibility statement to "A donor should be free of infectious diseases including colds on the day of donation."	Emphasize that a cold IS an infectious disease - in response to a comment suggesting that donors with colds should be allowed to donate.
Flowchart 4	Revised deferral for beef insulin from "ever taken this medication" to "taken this medication since 1980"	Comply with FDA guidance
Flowchart 4	Added unlicensed vaccine; If donor answers yes, deferral to be one year or referred to Medical Director	Most unlicensed vaccine will require 1 year deferral. Exceptions to be determined by Medical Director.
Flowchart 6	Added ** Explanatory Note to explain why question asks about 48 hours, but facility may choose to accept donation as a sole source of platelets if the time interval is determined to be 36 hours	Explain why question asks about 48 hours (donors remember this time interval better) when AABB Standards refer to 36 hours
Flowchart 7	Deleted	Question 7 deleted from the questionnaire
Flowcharts renumbered	All flowcharts following 7 were renumbered; i.e. 8 became 7, 9 became 8 etc	To be consistent with questionnaire
Flowchart 8	Donor eligibility statement revised to "A whole blood donor may donate no more frequently than every 8 weeks; plasma, platelets, or leukapheresis donors may donate no more frequently than every 2 days."	Comments indicated the previous wording was confusing.
Flowchart 9	Consolidated from 3 pages to 2 pages	Simplify flow chart
Flowchart 9	Revised donor eligibility statement. Changed "live virus" to "live infectious agents" and "should not serve as a donor" to "should not be a donor for a specified period of time." Deleted "For other shots refer to SOP."	"Live infectious agents" is more inclusive (i.e.bacteria as well as viruses). "Should not serve as a donor" may have implied permanent rather than a temporary deferral. Reference to SOP is not needed in the eligibility statement.

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Flowchart 9	Inserted "or 14 days after resolution of complications, whichever is later" to Flow Chart note	Inadvertently omitted in previous submissions for v1.1
Flowchart 9	Decision arrows reversed - more than 21 days points to the right and leads to the next page; fewer than 21 days points down and leads to new decision oval "Defer until 21 days after vaccination date"	Revised to make Flow Chart easier to follow; If it is fewer than 21 days after vaccination, no additional questions are needed and donor will be deferred until 21 days after vaccination. Fewer is appropriate grammar
Flowchart 9	Added "or until scab spontaneously falls off, whichever is later" to top decision oval	Inadvertently omitted in previous submissions for v1.1
Flowchart 9	Revised "21 days" to "56 days" in second decision oval on page 2 of flow chart	Revised to comply with guidance
Flowchart 9	Deleted decision diamond "when did symptoms resolve" on last line of page two	Simplify flow chart
Flowchart 9alt	Revised donor eligibility statement. Changed "live virus" to "live infectious agents" and "should not serve as a donor" to "should not be a donor for a specified period of time" Deleted "For other shots refer to SOP."	Consistent with Flowchart 9 language
Flowchart 9alt	Added diamond to inquire about illness and complications	Comply with FDA guidance
Flowchart 10	Revised donor eligibility statement. Changed "live virus" to "live infectious agents" and "should not serve as a donor" to "should not be a donor for a specified period of time"	Consistent with Flowchart 9 language
Flowchart 10	Revised middle diamond (3rd row) from scab to scab(s)	Clarify that may be more than one scab
Flowchart 10	Inserted "contact's" so that 3rd decision oval reads "contact's vaccination"	Clarify that the question concerns the contact's vaccination, not the donor's vaccination

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Flowchart 10 alt	Revised donor eligibility statement. Changed "live virus" to "live infectious agents" and "should not serve as a donor" to "should not be a donor for a specified period of time"	Consistent with Flowchart 9 language
Flowchart 10 alt	Revised decision oval to "Defer for 56 days from current date.or 14 days from resolution of complications, whichever is later"	Comply with FDA guidance
Flowchart 13	Revised donor eligibility statement to "should not donate blood"	Typographical error. "done" should be "donate"
Flowchart 19	Inserted "ever" in the question in the diamond (with anyone who has ever used needles to take drugs ...)	Typographical error
Flowchart 20	Added step to determine whether the contact has used clotting factor concentrates.	Clarify that sexual contact with a hemophiliac is not grounds for deferral unless the hemophiliac has used clotting factor concentrates.
Flowchart 22	Revised donor eligibility statement from "hepatitis" to "viral hepatitis" and added new decision point "Determine type of hepatitis"	Clarify that non-viral hepatitis does not require deferral
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Flowchart 24	Revised donor eligibility statement to "Persons who have had a tattoo in the previous 12 months are deferred for 12 months from the date of the tattoo application unless, applied by a state regulated entity with sterile needles and non-reused ink."	Revised to reference state-regulated facilities to be consistent with AABB Standards and to be consistent with FDA criteria

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Flowchart 24	Revised donor eligibility statement to add explanation. "Unless tattoos have been applied using sterile needles and non-reused ink, there may be a risk of transmission of infectious disease."	Inadvertently omitted in December 2004 submission. Was present in v 1.0
Flowchart 26	Revised decision oval to "Defer donor for 12 months following date of last treatment."	Revised Defer per SOP because 12 month deferral is the requirement, so the SOP cannot have a different time frame.
Flowchart 27	Revised donor eligibility statement from "last date of occurrence" to "last date of incarceration"	Clarify intent
Flowchart 28	Deleted reference to travel where possible. Revised diamond "Where did you travel" to read "In what countries" . Revised bottom of chart to refer to recent travel to a malarial area for immigrants etc. Changed "three" to "3".	Clarify flow chart. Travel could imply that the donor had left the US for another country, but might not indicate that someone had come from another country to the US.. Changed "three" to "3" to facilitate quick comprehension.
Flowchart 29	Deleted :theoretical" from second sentence of donor eligibility statement	Revised to reflect current knowledge
Flowcharts 29,30,31,32	Donor eligibility statement revised to remove the word "theoretical"	Revised to reflect current knowledge of vCJD
Flowchart 31	Donor eligibility statement changed "five" to "5"	Facilitate quick comprehension
Flowchart 35	Donor eligibility statement revised second sentence to read "Donors with clinical or laboratory evidence of HIV/AIDS are indefinitely deered due to potential transmission of infectious diseases."	Deleted material referred to sexual contact, but this question refers to a positive test and does not mention sexual contact.

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Flowchart 35	Deleted Note to donor eligibility statement	Typographical error. Note refers to sexual contact, but question does not.
Flowchart 38	Added new decision point "Was it viral hepatitis?"	Clarify that non-viral hepatitis does not require deferral
Flowchart 46	** Explanatory note changed to "Blood collection agencies using an HIV test that has been approved by FDA to include a donor screening claim for detection of Group O viruses may eliminate this question during screening"	Previous wording would require that the test be an antibody test.. Eliminating the word "antibody" permits flexibility to use any type of test for which FDA has approved a Group O claim. Test must be FDA approved for donor screening.
Flowchart 47	** Explanatory note changed as in #46	See # 46
Flowchart 47	Donor eligibility statement and diamond revised to specify medical treatment that involved blood	Revised to clarify intent