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This change applies to the Whole Blood and Components Donor Selection Guidelines

Cardiac Surgery

Please modify this entry as follows:

Obligatory Must not donate.

Discretionary If surgery was for a congenital heart defect, cure has been achieved

and donation is not excluded because of their transfusion history,

accept.

See if Relevant <u>Cardiovascular Disease</u>

Surgery Transfusion

Additional Information Individuals who have had cardiac surgery, other than for congenital

abnormality, are unlikely to be fit enough to safely have a unit of blood removed. An individual who has had congenital abnormalities corrected can often lead a normal lifestyle and may be able to give blood safely.

Reason for change To bring guidance into line with the Cardiovascular Disease Topic.

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