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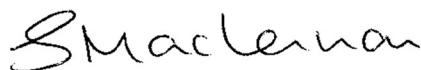
## Change Notification UK National Blood Services No. 25 - 2018

### Herpes – Ocular

These changes apply to the Deceased Tissue Donor Selection Guidelines

Please make the following changes to the entry:

<i>Including</i>	Simplex & Zoster Infection
<i>Obligatory</i>	<b>Eyes:</b> <b>Must not donate if:</b> Past or active infection in either eye.
<i>Discretionary</i>	<b>Other Tissues:</b> If no active infection or other contraindication, accept.
<i>Reason for Change</i>	To clarify that even if only one eye is affected, donation of both eyes is contraindicated.
<i>Additional Information</i>	Ocular herpes can lead to serious complications in the tissue recipient, e.g. primary graft failure, and this risk must be minimized as far as possible.



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