

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS
MD ANDERSON
CANCER CENTER

BASIC BLOOD DONOR REQUIREMENTS

General

17 years
Picture I. D.
Social Security Number /Foreign Passport
Weigh 110 pounds
Eaten within the past 4 hours
Not Pregnant

No waiting

Most medications
Most vaccines;
 Influenza
 Tetanus
 Polio injection
 Polio oral (2 weeks)
 Some 2-4 weeks
Allergy Shots
Most blood pressure medications

NOT ELIGIBLE

AIDS or positive test for HIV
Hepatitis after age 11
Serious heart disease
Serious respiratory disease
IV drug use
High risk group for HIV / AIDS
Uncontrolled diabetes.
Most cancers
Taken Tegison for psoriasis
Many serious illnesses
Lived or born in certain African
 Countries since 1977
Lived in United Kingdom from 1980
-1996 for more than 3 months.

Spent time in Europe from 1980 to present that adds up to a total of 5 years.

Spent a total time of 6 months with a military base in the countries of Spain, Portugal, Turkey, or Greece from 1980 through 1990.

Spent a total time of 6 months with a military base in the countries of United Kingdom, Germany, Belgium, and Netherlands.

Not eligible -Temporary

24 hours:

Hepatitis B Vaccine
Most dental work

72 hours:

Antibiotics
Some other medications

2 weeks:

Sterile ear piercing
Sterile acupuncture

4 weeks:

Accutane
Proscar
Propecia
Some vaccinations

6 weeks:

Some surgeries

12 months:

Travel to malarial risk area
Skin tattoo, body piercing
Non-sterile ear piercing / acupuncture
Jail, more than 72 consecutive hours
Close contact with hepatitis
Some major surgeries

3 years:

Had malaria
Immigrant, citizen, refugee
 from a Malarial risk area
Taken Soriatane

Please call 713- 792- 7777 for additional donor eligibility information or questions.

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