

Armed Services Blood Program State Tattoo and Permanent Make-Up Reference List

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NOTE: The following criteria provided by AABB Reference Standard 5.4.1A, Requirements for Allogeneic Donor Qualification, were used to determine acceptability of each state: (a) applied by a state-regulated entity, (b) with sterile needles, (c) and ink that has not been reused.

If the state is acceptable, defer the donor for one week to ensure the site has properly healed. Although the state of application may be acceptable, prospective donors should be asked if the procedure was performed using sterile needles and ink that has not been reused. If the donor answers no, or does not know, he/she should be deferred for 12 months. Prospective donors who had a procedure performed in a state listed as "No" must be deferred for 12 months from the time of application.

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State	Acceptable	Note
Alabama	YES	
Alaska	YES	
Arizona	YES	
Arkansas	YES	
California	NO	
Colorado	YES	
Connecticut	NO	
Delaware	YES	
District of Columbia	NO	
Florida	YES	

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State	Acceptable	Note
Georgia	NO	
Hawaii	YES	
Idaho	NO	
Illinois	YES	
Indiana	YES	
Iowa	YES	
Kansas	YES	
Kentucky	YES	
Louisiana	YES	
Maine	YES	
Maryland	NO	
Massachusetts	NO	
Michigan	NO	
Minnesota	YES	
Mississippi	YES	
Missouri	YES	
Montana	YES	
Nebraska	YES	
Nevada	NO	
New Hampshire	NO	
New Jersey	YES	

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New Mexico	NO	
New York	NO	
North Carolina	YES	
North Dakota	NO	
Ohio	YES	
Oklahoma	NO	
Oregon	YES	
Pennsylvania	NO	
Rhode Island	YES	
South Carolina	YES	
South Dakota	YES	
Tennessee	YES	
Texas	YES	
Utah	NO	
Vermont	YES	
Virginia	YES	
Washington	YES	
West Virginia	YES	
Wisconsin	YES	
Wyoming	NO	