

CHANGES TO AATB STANDARDS FOR TISSUE BANKING
14th Edition

SECTION D
AUTHORIZATION, INFORMED CONSENT, DONOR SCREENING, AND TISSUE
RECOVERY, COLLECTION, AND ACQUISITION

Current (14th Edition)

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D6.100 Quarantine Areas

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With Amendments

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- 5) back-up plan for failure of validated electronic system.*

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As Amended

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