

**9 FEBRUARY 2024**

**EBAANZ MEDICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE NOTIFICATION**

**UPDATED GUIDANCE AND COVID-19 EYE DONOR SCREENING RECOMMENDATIONS**

The EBAANZ Medical Advisory Committee has assessed the risk of COVID-19 transmission through corneal transplants and makes the below recommendations:

1. Revoke current COVID-19 specific deferral periods
2. Treat as per influenza, pre-covid criteria
3. Refer to TGO 108 – where clinical judgement should be used to determine the relevance of the infection, fever or illness

On behalf of the EBAANZ Medical Advisory Committee.

Regards



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