shall be inoculated in evenly distributed amounts over the surface of no less than 10 plates of at least two agar media. No less than 1.0 ml. of sample shall be inoculated into each of four tubes containing 10 ml. of a semisolid broth medium. The media shall be such as have been shown to be capable of detecting known Mycoplasma and each test shall include control cultures of at least two known strains of Mycoplasma, one of which must be M. pneumoniae. One half of the plates and two tubes of broth shall be incubated anaerobically at 36 °C ± 1 °C and the remaining plates and tubes shall be incubated aerobically at 36 °C ± 1 °C in an environment of 5-10 percent CO\textsubscript{2} in N\textsubscript{2}. Aerobic incubation shall be for a period of no less than 14 days and the broth in the two tubes shall be tested after 3 days and 14 days, at which times 0.5 ml. of broth from each of the two tubes shall be combined and subinoculated on to no less than 4 additional plates and incubated aerobically. Anaerobic incubation shall be for no less than 14 days and the broth in the two tubes shall be tested after 3 days and 14 days, at which times 0.5 ml. of broth from each of the two tubes shall be combined and subinoculated onto no less than four additional plates and incubated anaerobically. All inoculated plates shall be incubated for no less than 14 days, at which time observation for growth of Mycoplasma shall be made at a magnification of no less than 300x. If the Dienes Methylene Blue-Azure dye or an equivalent staining procedure is used, no less than a one square cm. plug of the agar shall be excised from the inoculated area and examined for the presence of Mycoplasma. The presence of the Mycoplasma shall be determined by comparison of the growth obtained from the test samples with that of the control cultures, with respect to typical colonial and microscopic morphology. The virus pool is satisfactory for vaccine manufacture if none of the tests on the samples show evidence of the presence of Mycoplasma.

Subpart E—Testing Requirements for Communicable Disease Agents

§610.40 Test requirements.

(a) Human blood and blood components. Except as specified in paragraphs (c) and (d) of this section, you, an establishment that collects blood or blood components, must test each donation of human blood or blood component intended for use in preparing a product, including donations intended as a component of, or used to prepare, a medical device, for evidence of infection due to the following communicable disease agents:

1. Human immunodeficiency virus, type I;
2. Human immunodeficiency virus, type II;
3. Hepatitis B virus;
4. Hepatitis C virus;
5. Human T-lymphotropic virus, type I; and
6. Human T-lymphotropic virus, type II.

(b) Testing using one or more approved screening tests. To test for evidence of infection due to communicable disease agents designated in paragraph (a) of this section, you must use screening tests that the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has approved for such use, in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions. You must perform one or more such tests as necessary to reduce adequately and appropriately the risk of transmission of communicable disease.

(c) Exceptions to testing for allogeneic transfusion or further manufacturing use—(1) Dedicated donations. (i) You must test donations of human blood and blood components from a donor whose donations are dedicated to and used solely by a single identified recipient under paragraphs (a), (b), and (e) of this section; except that, if the donor makes multiple donations for a single identified recipient, you may perform such testing only on the first donation in each 30-day period. If an untested dedicated donation is made available for any use other than transfusion to the single, identified recipient, then this exemption from the testing required under this section no longer applies.

(ii) Each donation must be labeled as required under §606.121 of this chapter and with a label entitled "INTENDED RECIPIENT INFORMATION LABEL", containing the name and identifying information of the recipient. Each donation must also have the following label, as appropriate:

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<tr>
<th>Donor Testing Status</th>
<th>Label</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Tests negative</td>
<td>Label as required under §606.121</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tested negative within the last 30 days</td>
<td>&quot;DONOR TESTED WITHIN THE LAST 30 DAYS&quot;</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
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(2) Source Plasma. You are not required to test donations of Source Plasma for evidence of infection due to the communicable disease agents listed in paragraphs (a)(5) and (a)(6) of this section.

(3) Medical device. (i) You are not required to test donations of human blood or blood components intended solely as a component of, or used to prepare, a medical device for evidence of infection due to the communicable disease agents listed in paragraphs (a)(5) and (a)(6) of this section unless the final device contains viable leukocytes.

(ii) Donations of human blood and blood components intended solely as a component of, or used to prepare, a medical device must be labeled "Caution: For Further Manufacturing Use as a Component of, or to Prepare, a Medical Device."

(4) Samples. You are not required to test samples of blood, blood components, plasma, or sera if used or distributed for clinical laboratory testing or research purposes and not intended for administration to humans or in the manufacture of a product.

(d) Autologous donations. You, an establishment that collects human blood or blood components from autologous donors, or you, an establishment that is a consignee of a collecting establishment, are not required to test donations of human blood or blood components from autologous donors for evidence of infection due to communicable disease agents listed in paragraph (a) of this section or by a serological test for syphilis under paragraph (i) of this section, except:

(1) If you allow any autologous donation to be used for allogeneic transfusion, you must assure that all autologous donations are tested under this section.

(2) If you ship autologous donations to another establishment that allows autologous donations to be used for allogeneic transfusion, you must assure that all autologous donations shipped to that establishment are tested under this section.

(3) If you ship autologous donations to another establishment that does not allow autologous donations to be used for allogeneic transfusion, you must assure that, at a minimum, the first donation in each 30-day period is tested under this section.

(4) Each autologous donation must be labeled as required under §606.121 of this chapter and with the following label, as appropriate:

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<th>Donor Testing Status</th>
<th>Label</th>
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<tr>
<td>Untested</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tests negative</td>
<td>Label as required under §606.121</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reactive on current</td>
<td>&quot;BIOHAZARD&quot; legend in §610.40(h)(2)(ii)(B)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>collection/reactive</td>
<td>&quot;DONOR TESTED WITHIN THE LAST 30 DAYS&quot;</td>
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<tr>
<td>in the last 30 days</td>
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<td>Tested negative</td>
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<td>within the last 30</td>
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(e) Further testing. You must further test each donation, including autologous donations, found to be reactive by a screening test performed under paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, whenever a supplemental (additional, more specific) test has been approved for such use by FDA, except:

(1) For autologous donations, you must further test under this paragraph, at a minimum, the first reactive donation in each 30-day period; or

(2) If you have a record for that donor of a positive result on a supplemental (additional, more specific) test approved for such use by FDA, you do not have to further test an autologous donation.

(f) Testing responsibility. Required testing under this section, must be performed by a laboratory registered in accordance with part 607 of this chapter and either certified to perform such testing on human specimens under the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 (42 U.S.C. 263a) under 42 CFR part 493 or has met equivalent requirements as determined by the Health Care Financing Administration in accordance with those provisions.

(g) Release or shipment prior to testing. Human blood or blood components that are required to be tested for evidence of infection due to communicable disease agents designated in paragraphs (a) and (i) of this section may be released or shipped prior to completion of testing in the following circumstances provided that you label the blood or blood components under §606.121(h) of this chapter, you complete the tests for evidence of infection due to communicable disease agents as
(1) Only in appropriately documented medical emergency situations; or
(2) For further manufacturing use as approved in writing by FDA.

(h) Restrictions on shipment or use—(1) Reactive screening test. You must not ship or use human blood or blood components that have a reactive screening test for evidence of infection due to a communicable disease agent(s) designated in paragraphs (a) and (i) of this section or that are collected from a donor with a previous record of a reactive screening test for evidence of infection due to a communicable disease agent(s) designated in paragraphs (a) and (i) of this section, except as provided in paragraphs (h)(2)(i) through (h)(2)(vii) of this section.

(2) Exceptions. (i) You may ship or use blood or blood components intended for autologous use, including reactive donations, as described in paragraph (d) of this section.
(ii) You must not ship or use human blood or blood components that have a reactive screening test for evidence of infection due to a communicable disease agent(s) designated in paragraph (a) of this section unless you meet the following conditions:
(A) Except for autologous donations, you must obtain from FDA written approval for the shipment or use;
(B) You must appropriately label such blood or blood components as required under §606.121, or §640.70 of this chapter, and with the “BIOHAZARD” legend;
(C) Except for autologous donations, you must label such human blood and blood components as reactive for the appropriate screening test for evidence of infection due to the identified communicable disease agent(s);
(D) If the blood or blood components are intended for further manufacturing use into injectable products, you must include a statement on the container label indicating the exempted use specifically approved by FDA.
(E) Each blood or blood component with a reactive screening test and intended solely as a component of, or used to prepare a medical device, must be labeled with the following label, as appropriate:

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<tr>
<th>Type of Medical Device</th>
<th>Label</th>
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<tr>
<td>A medical device other than an in vitro diagnostic reagent</td>
<td>“Caution: For Further Manufacturing Use as a Component of a Medical Device For Which There Are No Alternative Sources”</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>An in vitro diagnostic reagent</td>
<td>“Caution: For Further Manufacturing Into In Vitro Diagnostic Reagents For Which There Are No Alternative Sources”</td>
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(iii) The restrictions on shipment or use do not apply to samples of blood, blood components, plasma, or sera if used or distributed for clinical laboratory testing or research purposes, and not intended for administration in humans or in the manufacture of a product.

(iv) You may use human blood or blood components from a donor with a previous record of a reactive screening test(s) for evidence of infection due to a communicable disease agent(s) designated in paragraph (a) of this section, if:
(A) At the time of donation, the donor is shown or was previously shown to be suitable by a requalification method or process found acceptable for such purposes by FDA under §610.41(b); and
(B) tests performed under paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section are nonreactive.

(v) Anti-HBc reactive donations, otherwise nonreactive when tested as required under this section, may be used for further manufacturing into plasma derivatives without prior FDA approval or a “BIOHAZARD” legend as required under paragraphs (h)(2)(i)(A) and (h)(2)(ii)(B) of this section.

(vi) You may use human blood or blood components, excluding Source
Plasma, that test reactive by a screening test for syphilis as required under paragraph (i) of this section if, consistent with § 640.5 of this chapter, the donation is further tested by an adequate and appropriate test which demonstrates that the reactive screening test is a biological false positive. You must label the blood or blood components with both test results.

(vii) You may use Source Plasma from a donor who tests reactive by a screening test for syphilis as required under § 610.40(i) of this chapter, if the donor meets the requirements of § 640.65(b)(2) of this chapter.

(i) Syphilis testing. In addition to the testing otherwise required under this section, you must test by a serological test for syphilis under §§ 640.5(a), 640.14, 640.23(a), 640.33(a), 640.53(a), and 640.65(b)(2) of this chapter.

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(B) You must appropriately label such blood or blood components as required under § 606.121 of this chapter, and with the “BIO-HAZARD” legend.

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(i) Syphilis testing. In addition to the testing otherwise required under this section, you must test by a serological test for syphilis under §§ 640.5(a), 640.14, 640.23(a), 640.33(a), 640.53(a), and 640.65(b)(1) and (b)(2) of this chapter.

§ 610.41 Donor deferral.

(a) You, an establishment that collects human blood or blood components, must defer donors testing reactive by a screening test for evidence of infection due to a communicable disease agent(s) listed in § 610.40(a) or reactive with a serological test for syphilis under § 610.40(i), may serve as an autologous donor under § 610.40(d).

§ 610.42 Restrictions on use for further manufacture of medical devices.

(a) In addition to labeling requirements in subchapter H of this chapter, when a medical device contains human
§610.44 Use of reference panels by manufacturers of test kits.

(a) When available and appropriate to verify acceptable sensitivity and specificity, you, a manufacturer of test kits, must use a reference panel you obtain from FDA or from an FDA designated source to test lots of the following products. You must test each lot of the following products, unless FDA informs you that less frequent testing is appropriate, based on your consistent prior production of products of acceptable sensitivity and specificity:

(1) A test kit approved for use in testing donations of human blood and blood components for evidence of infection due to communicable disease agents listed in §610.40(a); and

(2) Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) test kit approved for use in the diagnosis, prognosis, or monitoring of this communicable disease agent.

(b) You must not distribute a lot that is found to be not acceptable for sensitivity and specificity under §610.44(a). FDA may approve an exception or alternative to this requirement. Applicants must submit such requests in writing. However, in limited circumstances, such requests may be made orally and permission may be given orally by FDA. Oral requests and approvals must be promptly followed by written requests and written approvals.

[66 FR 31164, June 11, 2001]

§610.46 Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) “lookback” requirements.

(a) If you are an establishment that collects Whole Blood or blood components, including Source Plasma and Source Leukocytes, you must establish, maintain, and follow an appropriate system for the following actions:

(1) Within 3 calendar days after a donor tests reactive for evidence of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection when tested under §610.40(a) and (b) or when you are made aware of other reliable test results or information indicating evidence of HIV infection, you must review all records required under §606.160(d) of this chapter, to identify blood and blood components previously donated by such a donor. For those identified blood and blood components collected:

(i) Twelve months and less before the donor’s most recent nonreactive screening tests, or

(ii) Twelve months and less before the donor’s reactive direct viral detection test, e.g., nucleic acid test or HIV p24 antigen test, and nonreactive antibody screening test, whichever is the lesser period, you must:

(A) Quarantine all previously collected in-date blood and blood components identified under paragraph (a)(1) of this section if intended for use in another person or for further manufacture into injectable products, except pooled blood components intended solely for further manufacturing into products that are manufactured using validated viral clearance procedures; and

(B) Notify consignees to quarantine all previously collected in-date blood and blood components identified under paragraph (a)(1) of this section if intended for use in another person or for further manufacture into injectable products, except pooled blood components intended solely for further manufacturing into products that are manufactured using validated viral clearance procedures;

(2) You must perform a supplemental (additional, more specific) test for HIV...
as required under §610.40(e) of this chapter on the reactive donation.

(3) You must notify consignees of the supplemental (additional, more specific) test results for HIV, or the results of the reactive screening test if there is no available supplemental test that is approved for such use by FDA, or if under an investigational new drug application (IND) or investigational device exemption (IDE), is exempted for such use by FDA, within 45 calendar days after the donor tests reactive for evidence of HIV infection under §610.40(a) and (b) of this chapter. Notification of consignees must include the test results for blood and blood components identified under paragraph (a)(1) of this section that were previously collected from donors who later test reactive for evidence of HIV infection.

(4) You must release from quarantine, destroy, or relabel quarantined in-date blood and blood components, consistent with the results of the supplemental (additional, more specific) test performed under paragraph (a)(2) of this section or the results of the reactive screening test if there is no available supplemental test that is approved for such use by FDA, or if under an IND or IDE, exempted for such use by FDA.

(b) If you are a consignee of Whole Blood or blood components, including Source Plasma and Source Leukocytes, you must establish, maintain, and follow an appropriate system for the following actions:

(1) You must quarantine all previously collected in-date blood and blood components identified under paragraph (a)(1) of this section, except pooled blood components intended solely for further manufacturing into products that are manufactured using validated viral clearance procedures, when notified by the collecting establishment.

(2) You must release from quarantine, destroy, or relabel quarantined in-date blood and blood components consistent with the results of the supplemental (additional, more specific) test performed under paragraph (a)(2) of this section, or the results of the reactive screening test if there is no available supplemental test that is approved for such use by FDA, or if under an IND or IDE, is exempted for such use by FDA.

(c) When the supplemental (additional, more specific) test for HIV is positive or when the screening test is reactive and there is no available supplemental test that is approved for such use by FDA, or if under an IND or IDE is exempted for such use by FDA, you must notify transfusion recipients of previous collections of blood and blood components at increased risk of transmitting HIV infection, or the recipient’s physician of record, of the need for recipient HIV testing and counseling. You must notify the recipient’s physician of record or a legal representative or relative if the recipient is a minor, deceased, adjudged incompetent by a State court, or, if the recipient is competent but State law permits a legal representative or relative to receive information on behalf of the recipient. You must make reasonable attempts to perform the notification within 12 weeks after receiving the supplemental (additional, more specific) test results for evidence of HIV infection from the collecting establishment, or after receiving the donor’s reactive screening test result for HIV if there is no available supplemental test that is approved for such use by FDA, or if under an IND or IDE is exempted for such use by FDA.

(c) Actions under this section do not constitute a recall as defined in §7.3 of this chapter.

[72 FR 48799, Aug. 24, 2007]

§ 610.47 Hepatitis C virus (HCV) “lookback” requirements.

(a) If you are an establishment that collects Whole Blood or blood components, including Source Plasma and Source Leukocytes, you must establish, maintain, and follow an appropriate system for the following actions:

(1) Within 3 calendar days after a donor tests reactive for evidence of hepatitis C virus (HCV) infection when tested under §610.40(a) and (b) of this chapter or when you are made aware of other reliable test results or information indicating evidence of HCV infection, you must review all records required under §606.160(d) of this chapter, to identify blood and blood components previously donated by such a donor.
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For those identified blood and blood components collected:

(i) Twelve months and less before the donor’s most recent nonreactive screening tests, or

(ii) Twelve months and less before the donor’s reactive direct viral detection test, e.g., nucleic acid test and nonreactive antibody screening test, whichever is the lesser period, you must:

(A) Quarantine all previously collected in-date blood and blood components identified under paragraph (a)(1) of this section if intended for use in another person or for further manufacture into injectable products, except pooled blood components intended solely for further manufacturing into products that are manufactured using validated viral clearance procedures; and

(B) Notify consignees to quarantine all previously collected in-date blood and blood components identified under paragraph (a)(1) of this section if intended for use in another person or for further manufacture into injectable products, except pooled blood components intended solely for further manufacturing into products that are manufactured using validated viral clearance procedures, when notified by the collecting establishment.

(2) You must perform a supplemental (additional, more specific) test for HCV as required under §610.40(e) on the reactive donation.

(3) You must notify consignees of the supplemental (additional, more specific) test results for HCV, or the results of the reactive screening test if there is no available supplemental test that is approved for such use by FDA, or if under an IND or IDE, exempted for such use by FDA.

(b) If you are a consignee of Whole Blood or blood components, including Source Plasma or Source Leukocytes, you must establish, maintain, and follow an appropriate system for the following actions:

(1) You must quarantine all previously collected in-date blood and blood components identified under paragraph (a)(1) of this section, except pooled blood components intended solely for further manufacturing into products that are manufactured using validated viral clearance procedures, when notified by the collecting establishment.

(2) You must release from quarantine, destroy, or relabel quarantined in-date blood and blood components, consistent with the results of the supplemental (additional, more specific) test performed under paragraph (a)(2) of this section, or the results of the reactive screening test if there is no available supplemental test that is approved for such use by FDA, or if under an IND or IDE, exempted for such use by FDA.

(3) When the supplemental (additional, more specific) test for HCV is positive or when the screening test is reactive and there is no available supplemental test that is approved for such use by FDA, or if under an IND or IDE, is exempted for such use by FDA, you must notify transfusion recipients of previous collections of blood and blood components at increased risk of transmitting HCV infection, or the recipient’s physician of record, of the need for recipient HCV testing and counseling. You must notify the recipient’s physician of record, or a legal representative or relative if the recipient is a minor, adjudged incompetent by a State court, or if the recipient is competent but State law permits a legal representative or relative to receive information on behalf of the recipient. You must make reasonable attempts to perform the notification within 12
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§ 610.48 Hepatitis C virus (HCV) “lookback” requirements based on review of historical testing records.

(a) Establishments that collect Whole Blood or blood components, including Source Plasma and Source Leukocytes, must complete the following actions by February 19, 2009.

(b) If you are an establishment that collects Whole Blood or blood components, including Source Plasma and Source Leukocytes, you must establish, maintain, and follow an appropriate system for the following actions:

(1) You must:

(i) Review all records of donor testing for hepatitis C virus (HCV) performed before February 20, 2008. The review must include records dating back indefinitely for computerized electronic records, and to January 1, 1988, for all other records. Record review, quarantine, testing, notification, and disposition performed before February 20, 2008 that otherwise satisfy the requirements under §610.47, are exempt from this section.

(ii) Identify donors who tested reactive for evidence of HCV infection. Donors who tested reactive by a screening test and negative by an appropriate supplemental (additional, more specific) test under §610.40(e) for evidence of HCV infection on the same donation are not subject to further action.

(iii) Identify the blood and blood components previously collected from such donors:

(A) Twelve months and less before the donor’s most recent nonreactive screening tests, or

(B) Twelve months and less before the donor’s reactive direct viral detection test, e.g., nucleic acid test and nonreactive antibody screening test, whichever is the lesser period.

(2) If you did not perform a supplemental (additional, more specific) test at the time of the reactive donation, you may perform a supplemental test or a licensed screening test with known greater sensitivity than the test of record using either a frozen sample from the same reactive donation or a fresh sample from the same donor, if obtainable. If neither is available, proceed with paragraphs (b)(3), (b)(4), and (b)(5) of this section.

(3) You must, within 3 calendar days after identifying the blood and blood components previously collected from donors who tested reactive for evidence of HCV infection:

(i) Quarantine all previously collected in-date blood and blood components identified under paragraph (b)(1)(iii) of this section if intended for use in another person or for further manufacture into injectable products, except pooled blood components intended solely for further manufacturing into products that are manufactured using validated viral clearance procedures.

(ii) Notify consignees to quarantine all previously collected in-date blood and blood components identified under paragraph (b)(1)(iii) of this section if intended for use in another person or for further manufacture into injectable products, except pooled blood components intended solely for further manufacturing into products that are manufactured using validated viral clearance procedures; and

(iii) Notify consignees of the donor’s test results, including the results of a supplemental (additional, more specific) test or the licensed screening test with known greater sensitivity than the test of record for HCV, if performed, within 45 calendar days of completing the further testing. Notification of consignees must include the test results for blood and blood components identified under paragraph (b)(1)(iii) of this section that were previously collected from a donor.
who later tests reactive for evidence of HCV infection.

(5) You must release from quarantine, destroy, or relabel quarantined in-date blood and blood components consistent with the results of the further testing performed under paragraph (b)(2) of this section or the results of the reactive screening test if there is no available supplemental test that is approved for such use by FDA, or if under an investigational new drug application (IND) or investigational device exemption (IDE), is exempted for such use by FDA.

(c) If you are a consignee of Whole Blood or blood components, including Source Plasma and Source Leukocytes, you must establish, maintain, and follow an appropriate system for the following actions, which you must complete within 1 year of the date of notification by the collecting establishment:

(1) You must quarantine all previously collected in-date blood and blood components identified under paragraph (b)(1)(iii) of this section, except pooled blood components solely intended for further manufacturing into products that are manufactured using validated viral clearance procedures, when notified by the collecting establishment.

(2) You must release from quarantine, destroy, or relabel quarantined in-date blood and blood components, consistent with the results of the further testing performed under paragraph (b)(2) of this section, or the results of the reactive screening test if there is no available supplemental test that is approved for such use by FDA, or if under an IND or IDE is exempted for such use by FDA.

(3) When the supplemental (additional, more specific) test for HCV is positive; or the supplemental test is indeterminate, but the supplemental test is known to be less sensitive than the screening test; or the screening test is reactive and there is no available supplemental test that is approved for such use by FDA, or if under an IND or IDE, is exempted for such use by FDA; or if supplemental testing is not performed, you must make reasonable attempts to notify transfusion recipients of previous collections of blood and blood components at increased risk of transmitting HCV infection, or the recipient’s physician of record, of the need for recipient HCV testing and counseling. You must notify the recipient’s physician of record or a legal representative or relative if the recipient is a minor, adjudged incompetent by a State court, or if the recipient is competent but State law permits a legal representative or relative to receive information on behalf of the recipient.

(d) Actions under this section do not constitute a recall as defined in § 7.3 of this chapter.

(e) This section will expire on August 24, 2015.

Subpart F—Dating Period Limitations

§ 610.50 Date of manufacture.

The date of manufacture shall be determined as follows:

(a) For products for which an official standard of potency is prescribed in either § 610.20 or § 610.21, or which are subject to official potency tests, the date of initiation by the manufacturer of the last valid potency test.

(b) For products that are not subject to official potency tests, (1) the date of removal from animals, (2) the date of extraction, (3) the date of solution, (4) the date of cessation of growth, or (5) the date of final sterile filtration of a bulk solution, whichever is applicable.

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§ 610.53 Dating periods for licensed biological products.

(a) General. The minimum dating periods in paragraph (c) of this section are based on data relating to usage, clinical experience, or laboratory tests that establish the reasonable period beyond which the product cannot be expected to yield its specific results and retain its safety, purity, and potency, provided the product is maintained at the recommended temperatures. The standards prescribed by the regulations in this subchapter are designed to ensure the continued safety, purity, and potency of the products and are based

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