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Chikungunya - Italy

Applies to the Geographical Disease Risk Index (GDRI) and to all Donor Selection Guidelines.

Chikungunya (CHIKV) Risk. Changes in geographical risk in relation to a previous outbreak of chikungunya in the Ravenna Province of North-eastern Italy in 2007.

Change GDRI entry.

From: **Italy**

Malaria Notes & Other Comments	CHIKV
Donors who have visited the Ravenna Province of North-eastern Italy should be considered at risk for CHIKV	Yes

To: **Italy**

Malaria Notes & Other Comments	CHIKV
	No

The remainder of the entry is unaltered.

Further information

As there were no reported cases of CHIKV in the Ravenna Province during 2008 the SAC on Transfusion Transmitted Infections has recommended reverting to the position prior to the outbreak.

The supporting paper, JPAC 09-06 Chikungunya virus infection: Ravenna regional of Italy, leading to this Change Notification can be found in the Document Library/Supporting Papers of the JPAC website: <http://www.transfusionguidelines.org.uk/Index.aspx?Publication=DL&Section=12&pageid=7528>.

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