**High Risk Specimens Requiring Frozen Section**

Frozen sections can in certain circumstances be performed on high risk specimens if there is an absolute clinical need. These include (but are not limited to) the following;

* **Covid-19**
* **Hep B**
* **Hep C**
* **HIV**
* **TB**

Frozen sections will **NOT** be performed on specimens infected with group 4 pathogens such as viral haemorrhagic fevers or specimens from patients with vCJD.

**At the time of booking a frozen section it is essential that the laboratory is informed that it is a high risk case.**

The duty Senior Biomedical Scientist will then inform the Pathologist dealing with the case, who may want to speak to the surgeon and a decision will be made as to whether the frozen section can be performed.

**As per Good Laboratory Practice - All specimens must be handled as potentially high risk with appropriate PPE and measures taken.**