

PA VFC Vaccine Management Plan and Designated Responsible Staff

VFC PIN#: _____ NAME: _____

Update Vaccine Management Plan and Designated Responsible Staff document annually.

1. Each staff member/provider that has direct contact with VFC vaccine must review and sign the updated Vaccine Management Plan and the Disaster Recovery Plan annually and keep posted at the site.
2. VFC vaccine shipments are received and inventoried by _____ [designated person].
3. Upon receipt VFC vaccines are labeled to differentiate them from private vaccine stock, received in PA-SIIS, and stored appropriately.
4. DTaP, Td, Tdap, HepA, Hep B, Hib, HPV, Influenza, Meningococcal, MMR, Pneumococcal, Polio and Rotavirus vaccines are stored in the refrigerator with temperatures maintained at 36° F to 46° F/2 to 8°C.
5. Frozen vaccines (Varicella, and MMRV) must be stored in the freezer with temperatures maintained at 5° F to negative 58° F/negative 15°C to negative 50°C. MMR may be stored in the freezer. Diluents are stored at refrigerator 36° F to 46° F/2 to 8° C or room temperatures 68° F to 77° F/20° C to 25° C.
6. Stand-alone/Medical grade storage units are recommended. Household combination units are required to be accompanied by a stand-alone freezer to avoid suspension of ordering privileges. A 90- day grace period will be given during a site visit to providers to obtain a stand-alone freezer. It is **never** permissible to use Dormitory style units (freezer section located within the refrigerator section) to store VFC vaccine. Vaccine found in a Dormitory style unit will be considered non-viable.
7. Warning signs are posted to assure vaccine storage units are plugged in at all times and circuit breaker boxes identify vaccine storage unit switches to prevent turning off the power supply without prior notification given to _____ [designated person].
8. Calibrated thermometers with current Certificate of NIST/ILAC Traceability and Calibration, probes are located in the central compartment of each VFC vaccine refrigerator and freezer storage unit. Thermometers are due for recalibration _____. Certificates are kept and maintained by _____ [designated person].
9. Temperature logs are maintained on site for 3 years. Failure to maintain temperature logs will result in suspension of your VFC vaccine ordering privileges.

10. Temperatures are recorded twice a day at the beginning and end of day by _____ [designated person]. Min/Max temperatures are to be recorded twice daily, if your thermometer has this capability.
11. Document any actions taken for out of range temperatures on the temperature log. Recheck the temperature in 30 minutes and record. If still out of range after 30 minutes, immediately contact the manufacturers for recommendations on the viability of the vaccine.
12. If temperatures are out of range _____ [designated person] will be notified and determine what actions will be taken. Vaccine Incident Report and Worksheets (and Vaccine Return Form if applicable) located in section 6 of VFC Handbook must be completed & submitted to the VFC Program within 5 days.
13. Vaccine is stored in the central shelving of the units. No vaccine is permitted in the crisper bins or on the doors/floor of the storage unit. Crisper bins are removed and jugs of water are placed in crisper space. No food or drink is permitted in vaccine storage units.
14. Vaccine vials/syringes must be stored in the manufacturer original packaging.
15. Vaccine inventory is reviewed weekly by _____ [designated person].
16. Vaccine stock is rotated with short-dated vaccines used first. Expired vaccines are removed from the storage unit and labeled to be returned to McKesson. The Vaccine Return and Accountability Form is completed listing all wasted, open, and expired vaccine then submitted to the VFC Program in order to receive the vaccine Return Shipping Label. No opened multidose vials may be returned, dispose of open vials according to your biohazard waste disposal process.
17. Notify your VFC Immunization Nurse for assistance if vaccine will expire within 90 days.
18. Vaccine borrowing is documented on Vaccine Borrowing Report Form (Section 6). This important information is documented and maintained for 3 years for review by the VFC program.
19. Procedures for vaccine relocation in the event of a power outage, mechanical difficulty or emergency are reviewed and updated annually. Attach site specific Vaccine Disaster Recovery Plan or adapt the sample in Section 6 of VFC Handbook with a detailed plan of the alternative storage site, documentation of temperatures twice daily, directions to the site and instructions of how to pack and maintain temperatures in the transport coolers.
20. The Vaccine Storage Maintenance Reminder should be posted on the VFC storage unit and be completed by _____ [designated person].
21. Vaccine orders are to be placed online using PA SIIS (Section 5).
22. Primary and backup coordinators must complete annual training (Section 4). All office staff are recommended to complete training.

