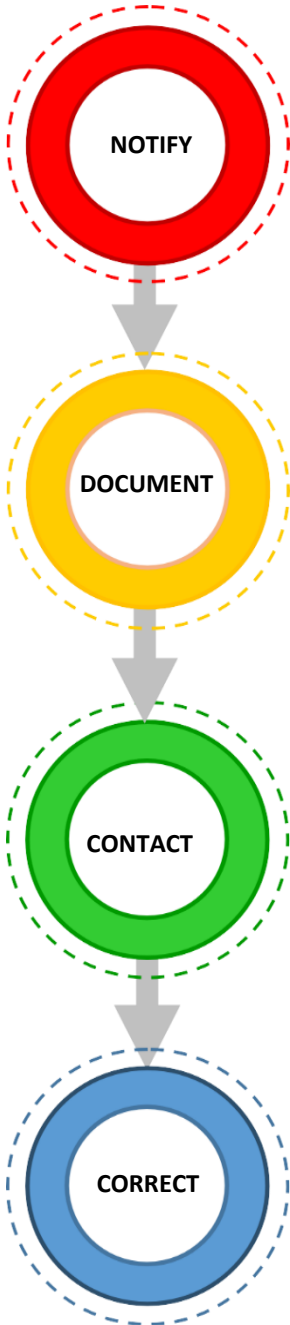




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Vaccine Temperature Excursion Guide



- Notify the vaccine coordinator or supervisor immediately.
- Label the vaccines “Do Not Use”.
- Store the vaccines in a unit where they can be kept under appropriate storage.
- Download the data logger to report temperature ranges to vaccine manufacturers and Maine Immunization Program.
- Contact each vaccines manufacturer to obtain documentation for the viability of the vaccine. Be prepared to provide data logger information and the vaccine involved with lot numbers. Follow manufacture guidance based on viability of vaccines. [Contact Information for Vaccine Manufacturers \(PDF\)](#)
- Document all steps taken on temperature recording paper log and in ImmPact cold chain.
- Determine and address the cause of the temperature excursion.
- Check the basics, including the power supply, the unit door, and thermostat settings, as well as the data loggers probe placement.
- If the excursion was the result of a temperature fluctuation, follow guidance on adjusting the storage unit temperature to the correct range. [Storage and Handling Toolkit](#)
- If the thermometer fails, implement the back-up thermometer. If the storage unit fails, implement the emergency plan.
- If vaccines were moved to another unit, please provide five days of stable in-range temperatures before moving vaccine back into unit.

