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## Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine Transport Update February 23, 2021

This communication is to provide further clarification of the new transport guidance that recently went out to COVID-19 Providers.

The U.S. CDC has updated guidance for the transport of unpunctured vials of refrigerated Moderna COVID-19 vaccine. Moderna COVID-19 vaccine may be transported for 12 cumulative hours (e.g., vaccine transported for 2 hours today has 10 hours of transport time remaining). Follow transportation guidance for Moderna COVID-19 vaccine in [CDC's Storage and Handling Toolkit](#), COVID-19 Addendum.

Moderna COVID-19 vaccine should be transported between 2°C and 8°C (36°F and 46°F) for up to 12 hours (cumulative). This 12-hour Beyond Use Date (BUD) includes any time vaccine is stored in cool cubes, coolers, or pack-outs for a clinic. Take care to ensure vaccine does not refreeze.

The [Beyond-Use Date labels](#) have also been updated to include transport time.

Should you have any questions, please call the Maine Immunization Program at 207-287-3746.