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To: Maine Immunization Program Providers

From: Maine Immunization Program

Subject: Minimum & Maximum Temperature Readings

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## Dear Providers,

We would like to address some confusion surrounding the minimum and maximum temperature readings that you are required to take once daily with the morning temperature reading. When you access the minimum & maximum temperature readings on your LogTag data logger, these readings represent the minimum and maximum temperature your unit has been at for the previous 24 hours.

If your minimum & maximum reading is out of range (below 36°F or above 46°F for the refrigerator, and below -58°F or above 5°F for the freezer), that is considered a temperature excursion. You are then responsible for docking your data logger to determine how long the excursion lasted, calling the vaccine manufacturer(s) to determine if your vaccine is viable, and contacting the Maine Immunization Program regarding the viability of your vaccine. Until you can confirm that your vaccine is viable with manufacturer documentation, you should not use the vaccine in the affected unit(s). You are responsible for contacting the manufacturer(s) for viability information regardless of how long the excursion lasted.

If you have questions on how to operate your LogTag data logger, or download your temperature data, we have a PowerPoint Presentation available on our website for your convenience at: http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/infectiousdisease/immunization/providers/documents/LogTag-Software-Setup 100215.pdf . If you have further questions regarding your LogTag data loggers, please call us at 207-287-9972 for assistance.

Please keep in mind that you are responsible for the calibration and maintenance of the LogTag data loggers you receive from our Program. If you find that you have extra LogTag data loggers that you no longer use, please mail them back to us at:

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