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IMPORTANT MESSAGE

McKesson Specialty Important Information

Dear VFC Program Participants:

- **Recyclable Insulated Containers:** Starting June 22, 2009, McKesson Specialty will be changing the containers used to ship vaccines.
 - a. Providers do not have to return the empty containers.
 - b. Keep one or two containers for expired vaccine returns.
 - c. Recycle the empty containers through local recycling programs.
 - d. The new shipping container will not include a postage-paid shipping label.
 - e. Contact the VFC Program at (800) 483-2543 to request a postage-paid shipping label to return unserviceable vaccines to McKesson Specialty.
 - f. Continue to fax a copy of the Vaccine Return and Waste Form to the VFC Program at (850) 245-4734.
- **Revised Temperature Monitor Cards:** McKesson Specialty will be including a guide (attached) in each vaccine shipment to read the Temperature Monitor Cards.
- **Vaccine-Viability Telephone Line:** If upon the arrival of the vaccine shipment there is a vaccine-viability concern (i.e., if the monitor is not activated or if there is damage to the package), contact a McKesson Specialty representative within the contractual two-hour window at (877) 836-7123.

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Review this guide to read this temperature indicator.

Vaccine Temperature Monitor

A 3M MonitorMark™ Time Temperature Indicator is in this shipment to assure that your vaccines have been shipped under manufacturer-recommended conditions. The indicator shows temperature exposure only – not information about vaccine quality. This monitor must be “turned on” when you receive it. A small white tab on the left side of the monitor with words “To Activate Fold Up and Pull” has been removed. If you see this tab, please report right away.

Accepting a Vaccine Shipment

- On arrival, remove the instruction card with the 3M MonitorMark™ Time Temperature Indicator from the shipment box right way.
- Follow the guide on the back of this card to read the monitor.
- Examine the vaccines and shipping box for any signs of damage.
- **If you have any questions or concerns when reading the monitor, if the monitor is not activated or if you see damage to the package, call 877-TEMP123 (877-836-7123) or your state / local immunization program right away.**
- Store vaccines as instructed below.

Vaccine Storage Requirements

- Take the vaccines out of the shipping box immediately upon receipt.
- Remove the vaccines from the plastic bag.
- Refrigerate immediately at 35° to 46°F (2° to 3°C).
- Do not freeze or expose to freezing temperatures.

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How to Read the 3M MonitorMark™ Time Temperature Indicator

As soon as you received this shipment, remove the 3M MonitorMark™ Time Temperature Indicator and check the index. Please note that all pictures below are examples only. Please read the monitor on the other side of the card.

For all vaccines excluding MMR:

- If the Index color is 0-2, store the vaccines as instructed and begin use.
- **If the index color is 3-5, store the vaccines as instructed and call 877-TEMP123 (877-836-7123) or your state / local immunization program *right away* for further instruction before using.**

For MMR vaccines only:

- If the Index color is 0-1, store the vaccines as instructed and begin use.
- **If the index color is 2-5, store the vaccines as instructed and call 877-TEMP123 (877-836-7123) or your local / state immunization program *right away* for further instruction before using.**

3M MonitorMark™ Time Temperature Indicator decision table:

Indicator Color	Vaccine Type	
	Vaccines (excluding MMR)	MMR
0-1	Ready for Use	
2	Ready for Use	Call 877-TEMP123 (877-836-7123) or your state / local immunization program <i>right away</i>
3-5	Call 877-TEMP123 (877-836-7123) or your state / local immunization program <i>right away</i>	

Call **877-TEMP123 (877-836-7123)** or your state / local immunization program *right away* if you have questions or concerns when reading the temperature indicator or if you see damage to the package.

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Vaccine Temperature Monitor

A ColdMark™ Freeze Indicator is in this shipment to assure that your vaccines have been shipped under manufacturer-recommended conditions. The indicator shows temperature exposure only – not information about vaccine quality. report right away.

Accepting a Vaccine Shipment

- On arrival, remove the instruction card with the ColdMark™ Freeze Indicator from the shipment box right way.
- Follow the guide on the back of this card to read the monitor.
- Examine the vaccines and shipping box for any signs of damage.
- **If you have any questions or concerns when reading the monitor, if the monitor is not activated or if you see damage to the package, call 877-TEMP123 (877-836-7123) or your state / local immunization program right away.**
- Store vaccines as instructed below.

Vaccine Storage Requirements

- Take the vaccines out of the shipping box immediately upon receipt.
- Remove the vaccines from the plastic bag.
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How to Read the ColdMark™ Freeze Indicator

As soon as you receive this shipment, remove the ColdMark™ Freeze Indicator and check the ColdMark bulb. Please note that pictures below are examples only. Please read the monitor on the other side of this card.

- If the bulb is clear and colorless, as shown here, store the vaccines as instructed and begin use.
- If the bulb is violet in color, as shown below, store the vaccines as instructed and call **877-TEMP123 (877-836-7123)** or your state / local immunization program *right away* for further instruction before using.

ColdMark™ Freeze Indicator decision table:

Bulb Color	Vaccine Type	
	MMR, ActHIB, LAIV	All other vaccine
Clear and colorless	Ready for Use	
Violet	Ready for Use	Call 877-TEMP123 (877-836-7123) or your state / local immunization program <i>right away</i>

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