

ATTACHMENT 4: REFRIGERATOR PROTOCOL

Check Fridge Temperature Twice Daily
Aim for 5°C

Record the Current, Minimum & Maximum Temperature on Chart
Press 'RESET' after Temperature check completed

If inside range of +2°C to +8°C

No action required

If Fridge Temp range is <+2°C or >+8°C or the fridge has alarmed

Quarantine Vaccines/Medications
Label 'DO NOT USE'

Report breach immediately to your Manager/delegate

If temperature <+2°C or >+8°C and/or the fridge alarm is activated
Action **MUST** be taken immediately & documented on the *NSW Vaccine Refrigerator Temperature Chart*
Refer to the cold chain breach steps on the chart

OTHER MEDICATIONS

- Notify facility Pharmacy Service provider
- Do NOT use meds until advice is received from by Pharmacy

VACCINES

- Notify PHU on 1300 066 055
- Do NOT use vaccines until advice received from PHU

- Additional Information**
- Document all activity on the back of the *NSW Vaccine Refrigerator Temperature Chart - Fortnightly*, i.e. thermostat adjustment, restocking, power outage, data logger removal etc.
 - Refer to the current edition of *The Australian Immunisation Handbook* and the *National Vaccine Storage Guidelines - 'Strive for 5'*.
 - NSW Health '*Vaccine Refrigerator Temperature Chart - Fortnightly*' must be used on all fridges
 - Vaccine Refrigerator Temperature Chart and cold chain management records must be managed according to the appropriate retention and disposal authorities

Vaccine Refrigerator Temperature Chart

NSW Vaccine Refrigerator Temperature Chart - Fortnightly: order from Toll Stream Direct, Order Number: NH700227