

What to do in the case of possible vaccine loss....

Should you have an issue with fluctuating temperatures that has potentially affected your vaccine stock, we have attached a sample Emergency Response Worksheet developed by the Immunization Action Coalition that walks you through what to do if vaccines are stored outside of the recommended temperature range. If you discover your temperature readings have been out of range for a period of time, here are some action items you can consider:

- 1. Determine if storage equipment is working properly. If it is, keep stock in the storage unit but separate and label the affected vaccine stock. If not, label and move stock to a unit that is working properly.
- 2. Contact the vaccine manufacturers for a consultation on the current state of the affected vaccines and discuss product return policies.
- 3. Record action taken.
- 4. If you have experienced loss of vaccine stock, consider contacting your business interruption insurance representative.

If you are in need of more information regarding proper vaccine storage, equipment requirements or printable forms, they can be found with CDC Recommendations & Guidelines: <u>http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/storage/default.htm</u>.