

COLD CHAIN (VACCINES)

POLICY

The practice has appropriate vaccine storage which maintains vaccines at temperatures between +2 degrees and +8 degrees C. The temperature is continuously monitored by a minimum/maximum thermometer, and checked and recorded twice daily.

At Pro Health Care, we have implemented the following protocols to safely and effectively manage our vaccines:

- About cold chain and why it is important.
- Key staff members responsible for vaccine management.
- Vaccine refrigerator and monitoring equipment.
- Ordering vaccines.
- Receiving vaccines.
- Appropriate disposal of vaccines.
- Packing the vaccine refrigerator.
- Daily monitoring and recording of the vaccine refrigerator temperature.
- Managing a power failure.
- Action in the event of a cold chain breach.
- Packing a portable cooler.
- Maintenance of the vaccine refrigerator and monitoring equipment.

OUR VACCINE REFRIGERATOR

At Pro Health Care, we use the following dedicated refrigerator to store vaccines:

- VaccSafe EuroChill

Our vaccine refrigerator offers the following features to help us achieve effective vaccine management:

- Minimum (MIN) and maximum (MAX) temperatures.
- Door open/ajar alarm that activates after 10 minutes.
- Abnormal temperature alarm system for low and high temperatures.
- Built-in power filter to protect from power surges.
- Audible alarm activates during power failure.

For extra monitoring we use the following data logger to monitor the temperature of our vaccine refrigerator:

- eTemperature (onSolution)

This is checked on a monthly basis.

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