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	3. Report to Peel Public Health
Key Messages:	a. Call (905) 791-7800 ext. 2840 and leave a
 Cold chain incidences may put your patients at 	voice message
risk for vaccine preventable diseases.	b. Email cdc1phn@peelregion.ca
 Report all vaccine fridge temperatures outside of 	
cold chain range (2.0°C to 8. 0°C) to Peel Public	NOTE: please include details of the cold chain failure
Health.	including name of facility, RMP code, name of person
Please review the <u>Vaccine Storage and Handling</u>	reporting the incident and contact number. Expect a
Guidelines.	response within one business day.
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Cold Chain Incident Reporting:

Failure to adhere to cold chain requirements can put patients at risk as reduced vaccine potency can result in lack of protection against vaccine preventable diseases.

Peel Public Health has noticed an increase in unreported cold chain incidences that are found during temperature log review or during annual inspections.

It is important that **all** cold chain incidents are reported to Peel Public Health when discovered. Peel Public Health will work with you to determine whether vaccines are viable or need to be returned and replaced.

When you discover temperatures outside of cold chain range (2.0°C to 8.0°C):

- 1. Do not use the vaccines
- 2. Place a "DO NOT USE" sign on your fridge door

- Keep on-hand inventory as low as possible to prevent vaccine wastage.
- Document current, minimum, and maximum fridge temperatures twice daily on days that your clinic is open.
- Indicate clinic closure dates in the temperature log.

Review the Vaccine Storage and Handling Guidelines: https://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/publi chealth/oph standards/docs/reference/vaccine%20 s torage handling guidelines en.pdf

If you have new staff in your practice/clinic:

Ensure that they review the Vaccine Storage and Handling guideline booklet upon joining your practice:

https://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/p ublichealth/oph standards/docs/reference/vaccin e%20 storage handling guidelines en.pdf

- Inform them to contact Peel Public Health if they require additional information:
 - 0 (905) 791-7800 ext. 2840
 - email cdc1phn@peelregion.ca 0

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Updating Clinician Information:

During routine annual fridge inspections, Peel Public Health Nurses will be asking all health care providers who store publicly funded vaccines, to update their clinical staff information. This is to ensure that Peel Public Health has the most current information including contact information for all physicians and nurse practitioners in Peel.

July to December 2023 Paid Vaccine and STI Medication Delivery Schedule

The 2023 paid delivery schedule is now available for July 2023 to December 2023.

NOTE: Your staff needs to be on-site between 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on your scheduled delivery date to receive your vaccine and/or STI medication order(s).

BRAMPTON	
JULY	Thursday, July 13
	Tuesday, July 25
AUGUST	Thursday, August 10
	Tuesday, August 22
SEPTEMBER	Thursday, September 14
	Tuesday, September 26
OCTOBER	Tuesday, October 10
	Thursday, October 26
	Blackout Period: October
	5 to October 12
NOVEMBER	Thursday, November 9
	Tuesday, November 21
DECEMBER	Tuesday, December 5
	Thursday, December 21

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JULY	Thursday, July 6
	Tuesday, July 18
AUGUST	Thursday, August 3
	Tuesday, August 15
SEPTEMBER	Thursday, September 7
	Tuesday, September 19
OCTOBER	Thursday, October 5
	Tuesday, October 31
	Blackout Period:
	October 5 to October
	12
NOVEMBER	Tuesday, November 14
DECEMBER	Thursday, December 7
	Tuesday, December 19

Orders need to be submitted five business days before the scheduled delivery date. Orders submitted after this date will be available for **pick up** instead.

Vaccine orders can be received in two ways:

- Pick-up through one of our locations: <u>https://www.peelregion.ca/coronavirus/affected-services.asp#ph</u>
- Paid vaccine and STI medication delivery

Paid vaccine and STI medication delivery enrolment:

- Fax a completed registration form to (905) 565-9874
 - Registration forms are available at: <u>https://peelregion.ca/health/professionals/pd</u> <u>fs/CP-Account-Activation-Form.pdf</u>

For questions about vaccine ordering, pick-up or delivery, please contact the Vaccine Management Team at <u>VMPIOrderRequests@peelregion.ca.</u>

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