

RECOMMENDATIONS RE: EQUIPMENT INVOLVED WITH STORAGE OF VACCINES

- 1) Do not connect these refrigerators to an outlet with a ground-fault interrupter or one activated by a wall switch. The Texas Vaccine for Children program requires a "Do Not Unplug" sign on the refrigerator and/or freezer.
- 2) Use plug guards to prevent accidental dislodging of the wall plug.
- 3) All thermometers must be a certified thermometer with a certificate specific to this thermometer stored in the TVFC notebook. Place a thermometer located at the center of the storage compartment. This thermometer should be of the constant recording type with graphed readings.
- 4) Equip refrigerator with several bottles of chilled water and freezer with several ice trays or ice packs to fill empty space to minimize temperature fluctuations in the event of a brief electrical or mechanical failure occurrence. These items may be placed in the door of the refrigerator/freezer.