

Health Services

Procedure Manual

Procedure Subject/Title: Vaccine Loss Protocol
Applicability: All BVCHC Clinic Sites
Purpose: To ensure vaccines that become compromised are handled properly.

NOTE: ALL SITES WILL COMPLY WITH THESE PROCEDURES. SOME SITES REPORT THROUGH AN AGENCY TVFC COORDINATOR.

Procedure:

1. Vaccine loss must be reported immediately to the Local Health Department for the Bryan and College Station facilities or to the Vaccine Coordinator staff for all rural facilities. The Vaccine Coordinator will report to the vaccine supplier.
 - A. If the loss of vaccine is due to power failure, improper refrigeration or vaccine left out of the refrigerator or freezer:
 - i. Obtain the current temperature recording form and record the current temperature of the refrigerator/freezer and have it available during the telephone call. Contact the Texas Department of State Health Services Pharmacy.
 - ii. Be prepared to provide them with information concerning the temperature of the vaccine, the amount of vaccine involved, the expiration dates of the involved vaccines, and how long the vaccine was exposed to inappropriate temperatures.
 - iii. The Vaccine Coordinator completes and reports the C-69 to the TVFC Program/Local Health Department the Vaccine Loss Report.
2. Do not discard or remove your vaccine from the refrigerator or freezer until instructed to do so by the Local Health Department or TVFC program.