

Submitting Temperature Logs

Attention: Participating UIIP Pharmacies, NSM LHIN, Central LHIN

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In follow up to the recent communication from the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care (MOHLTC), “**Temperature Log Submission Process for Approved 2017/18 UIIP Pharmacies**” the following outlines the process for all UIIP participating pharmacies in Simcoe Muskoka:

- All pharmacies are required to fax their vaccine fridge temperature logs **every Thursday** starting **Thursday October 5th 2017**.
- Temperature logs need to be received by noon at the following fax number: 705-726-3962
- Temperature logs are to be submitted weekly, even if you are not ordering more vaccine that week.

Health unit staff will review each temperature log submitted. If upon review of the temperature log a cold chain issue is discovered that was not reported, or a temperature log is not received by the deadline, the distributor will be notified and the pharmacy will be placed on suspension. The pharmacy will not receive any flu vaccine from the distributor effective the following Monday until the issue is resolved.

As a reminder, any time your vaccine fridge temperature falls outside of the 2°-8°C range, it may be considered a cold chain failure if it is not related to temporarily accessing the fridge. Please contact the Health Unit as soon as possible to report the cold chain failure. If it is due to accessing your fridge, please be sure to initial and note on your temperature log (no other reporting action is necessary). Vaccine that is exposed to temperatures outside of 2°-8°C may not be stable or effective.

If you have any questions contact the Vaccine Preventable Disease Program at 705-721-7520 or toll free at 1-877-721-7520 extension 8806.