Freezer Setup for Vaccine Storage

A carefully organized freezer helps protect vaccines and facilitates vaccine inventory management. Freeze MMR, MMRV, and Varicella vaccines.

- Group and label vaccines by pediatric, adolescent, and adult types.
- Place vaccine boxes in breathable plastic mesh boxes or directly on shelves.
- Always keep vaccines in their original boxes. Do not open the box until you are ready to use the vaccine.
- Keep baskets 2-3 inches from walls and other baskets.
- Store vaccines with the earliest expiration dates to the front of the shelf.
- Keep temperatures 5.0°F or colder.

If you have any problems with your freezer, keep the freezer door shut and follow the guidance on the following website: www.health.mil/vaccinecompromise.

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877-GET-VACC (DSN 761-4245), option 2

www.health.mil/vaccines