VACCINE MANAGEMENT Recommendations for Handling and Storage of Selected Biologicals

(These recommendations are not a substitute for the package insert included with each different biologic.)

• DT-Pediatric: Diphtheria, Tetanus Toxoids • Td-Adult: Tetanus, Diphtheria Toxoids

Shipping Requirements: Should be shipped in insulated container. Maintain temperature at 36° to 46° F (2° to 8° C). Do not freeze or expose to freezing temperatures.

Condition upon Arrival*: Should not have been frozen or exposed to freezing temperatures.

Refrigerate upon arrival. * If you have any questions about the condition of the material at the time of delivery, you should: 1) immediately place material in recommended storage; and

2) notify your health service region.

Storage Requirements: Refrigerate immediately upon arrival. Store at 36° to 46° F (2° to 8° C). Do not freeze or expose to freezing temperatures.

Check expiration date on vial or container.

Instructions for Use: Shake vial vigorously before withdrawal and use. Follow manufacturer's directions.

Shelf Life after Opening: The vaccine should be administered shortly after withdrawal from the vial. Unused portions of multidose vials may be refrigerated at 36° to 46° F (2° to 8° C) and used until outdated, if not contaminated.

Special Instructions: Rotate stock so that the earliest dated material is used first.

 DTaP - Pediatric: Diphtheria Toxoid, Tetanus Toxoid, Acellular Pertussis Vaccine • DTaP/Hib - Pediatric: Diphtheria Toxoid, Tetanus Toxoid, Acellular Pertussis Vaccine Combined with Haemophilus influenzae type b Conjugate Vaccine*

• DTaP/HepB/IPV - Pediatric: Diphtheria Toxoid, Tetanus Toxoid, Acellular Pertussis Vaccine, **Hepatitis B Vaccine. Inactivated Polio Vaccine**

Shipping Requirements: Should be shipped in insulated container. Maintain temperature at 36° to 46° F (2° to 8° C). Do not freeze or expose to freezing temperatures.

Condition upon Arrival*: Should not have been frozen or exposed to freezing temperatures. Refrigerate upon arrival.

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Storage Requirements: Refrigerate immediately upon arrival. Store at 36° to 46° F (2° to 8° C). Do not freeze or expose to freezing temperatures. Shelf Life:

Shelf Life:

Check expiration date on vial, container, or manufacturer-filled syringe.

• Tdap - Adult: Tetanus Toxoid, Diphtheria Toxoid, Acellular Pertussis Vaccine

Instructions for Reconstitution** and Use: Shake well before withdrawal and use. Do not use if resuspension does

not occur with vigorous shaking. Follow manufacturer's directions. **Shelf Life after Reconstitution****

or Opening: Single-Dose Vials: The vaccine should be administered shortly after withdrawal from the vial. Manufacturer-Filled Syringes: The vaccine should be administered shortly after the needle is attached to the syringe.

** ActHIB® (sanofi pasteur) should be used within 24 hours of reconstitution if used alone. If sanofi pasteur DTaP is used to reconstitute ActHIB®, the TriHibit® vaccine must be used within 30 minutes of reconstitution. Only sanofi pasteur DTaP-Tripedia® or the diluent shipped with the product may be used to reconstitute the sanofi pasteur ActHIB® product. Sanofi pasteur DAPTACEL® is not licensed for use in reconstitution of ActHIB®.

Special Instructions: Rotate stock so that the earliest dated material is used first.

Hepatitis Vaccines: Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, Hepatitis A/B, Hepatitis B/Haemophilus influenzae type b

Shipping Requirements: Should be shipped in insulated container. Maintain temperature at 36° to 46° F (2° to 8° C). Do not freeze or expose to freezing temperatures.

Condition upon Arrival*: Should not have been frozen or exposed to freezing temperatures. Refrigerate upon arrival.

* If you have any questions about the condition of the material at the time of delivery, you should: 1) immediately place material in recommended storage; and 2) notify your health service region.

Storage Requirements: Refrigerate immediately upon arrival. Store at 36° to 46° F (2° to 8° C). Do not freeze or expose to freezing temperatures.

Shelf Life: Check expiration date on vial, container, or manufacturer-filled syringe.

Instructions for Use: Shake vial vigorously before withdrawal and use. Follow manufacturer's directions.

Shelf Life after Opening: Single-Dose Vials: The vaccine should be administered shortly after withdrawal from the vial. **Manufacturer-Filled Syringes:** The vaccine should be administered shortly after the needle is attached to the syringe.

Special Instructions: Rotate stock so that the earliest dated material is used first.

Hib: Haemophilus influenzae type b Conjugate Vaccine

Shipping Requirements: Should be shipped in insulated container. Maintain temperature at 36° to 46° F (2° to 8° C). Do not freeze or expose to freezing temperatures.

Condition upon Arrival*: Should not have been frozen or exposed to freezing temperatures. Refrigerate upon arrival.

* If you have any questions about the condition of the material at the time of delivery, you should: 1) immediately place material in recommended storage; and 2) notify your health service region.

Storage Requirements:

Refrigerate immediately upon arrival.

Store at 36° to 46° F (2° to 8° C). Do not freeze or expose to freezing temperatures.

Check expiration date on vial or container.

Shelf Life:

and Use: Shake vial vigorously before withdrawal and use. Do not use if resuspension does not occur with vigorous shaking. Follow

manufacturer's directions.

Instructions for Reconstitution**

Shelf Life after Reconstitution**

or Opening: The vaccine should be administered shortly after withdrawal from the vial.

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Special Instructions: Rotate stock so that the earliest dated material is used first.

HPV: Human Papillomavirus Vaccine

Shipping Requirements: Should be shipped in insulated container. Maintain temperature at 36° to 46°F (2° to 8°C). **Do not** freeze or expose to freezing temperatures.

Condition upon Arrival*: Should not have been frozen or exposed to freezing temperatures.

Refrigerate upon arrival. * If you have any questions about the condition of the material at the

time of delivery, you should:

recommended storage; and 2) notify your health service region.

1) immediately place material in

Storage Requirements: Refrigerate immediately upon arrival. Store at 36° to 46°F (2° to 8°C). Do not freeze or expose to freezing temperatures. Protect from light.

Shelf Life: Check expiration date on vial or

container.

Instructions for Use: Administered as soon as possible after being removed from refrigeration. Follow manufacturer's directions.

Shelf Life after Opening: Use until outdated, if not contaminated.

Special Instructions: Rotate stock so that the earliest dated material is used first.

IPV: Inactivated Polio Vaccine

Shipping Requirements: Should be shipped in insulated container. Maintain temperature at 36° to 46° F (2° to 8° C). Do not freeze or expose to freezing temperatures.

Condition upon Arrival*: Should not have been frozen or exposed to freezing temperatures. Refrigerate on arrival.

* If you have any questions about the condition of the material at the time of delivery, you should: 1) immediately place material in recommended storage; and

2) notify your health service region.

Storage Requirements: Refrigerate immediately on arrival. Store at 36° to 46° F (2° to 8° C). Do not freeze or expose to freezing temperatures.

Shelf Life: Check expiration date on vial or container.

Instructions for Use: Multidose Vials: Shake vial vigorously before withdrawal and use. Follow manufacturer's directions.

Shelf Life after Opening: The vaccine should be administered shortly after withdrawal from the vial. Multidose Vials: Unused portions of multidose vials may be refrigerated at 36° to 46° F (2° to 8°C) and used until outdated, if not contaminated.

Special Instructions: Rotate stock so that the earliest dated material is used first.

MMR: Measles/Mumps/Rubella Vaccine, • MR: Measles/Rubella Vaccine,

Measles Virus Vaccine.

 Mumps Virus Vaccine, • Rubella Virus Vaccine

Vaccine - Use insulated container. Must be shipped with refrigerant. Maintain at 50° F (10° C) or colder. Freezing will not affect potency. If shipped with dry ice, diluent must be shipped separately. Diluent - May be shipped with vaccine, but do not place in container with dry ice.

Shipping Requirements:

Condition upon Arrival*: Maintain at 50° F (10° C) or colder. Do not use warm vaccine. Refrigerate upon arrival.

* If you have any questions about the condition of the material at the time of delivery, you should: 1) immediately place material in recommended storage; and 2) notify your health service region.

Storage Requirements: Vaccine may be stored separately from diluent. Store as follows: **Vaccine:** Refrigerate immediately upon arrival. Store at 36° to 46° F (2° to 8° C). Protect from light at all times, since such exposure may inactivate the virus. **Diluent:** May be refrigerated or stored at room temperature 68° to 77° F (20° to 25° C). Do not freeze or expose to freezing temperatures.

MMR vaccine may be maintained at freezer temperatures. Shelf Life:

NOTE: Freeze-dried (lyophilized)

Check expiration date on vial or container.

Instructions for Reconstitution and Use:

Reconstitute just before using. Use only the diluent supplied to

reconstitute the vaccine. Inject diluent into the vial of lyophilized vaccine and agitate to ensure thorough mixing. Withdraw entire contents into syringe and inject total volume of vaccine subcutaneously. Follow manufacturer's directions.

Thawing, or Opening: After reconstitution, use immediately or store in a dark place at 36° to 46° F (2° to 8° C). **Discard if not used** within 8 hours.

Shelf Life after Reconstitution,

Special Instructions: Rotate stock so that the earliest dated material is used first.

NOTE: All materials used for administering live virus vaccines should be burned, boiled, or autoclaved prior to disposal.

•MMRV: Measles/Mumps/Rubella/Varicella Vaccine Varicella (Chickenpox) Vaccine

household freezers purchased in

Shipping Requirements: Vaccine: Use insulated container. Must be shipped with dry ice only, at 4°F (-20°C) or colder. Should be delivered within 2 days.

Diluent: May be shipped with vaccine, but do not place in container with dry ice.

Conditions upon Arrival*: Should be frozen. Vaccine should remain at 4°F (-20°C) or colder until arrival at the healthcare facility. Dry ice should still be present in the shipping container when vaccine is delivered.

* If you have any questions about the condition of the material at the time of delivery, you should: 1) immediately place material in recommended storage; and 2) notify your health service region.

Vaccine: Freeze immediately

Storage Requirements:

Shipping Requirements:

at 36° to 46° F (2° to 8° C).

freezing temperatures.

Condition upon Arrival*:

Refrigerate upon arrival.

time of delivery, you should:

1) immediately place material in recommended storage; and

Do not freeze or expose to

Should be shipped in insulated

container. Maintain temperature

Should not have been frozen or

exposed to freezing temperatures.

* If you have any questions about

the condition of the material at the

upon arrival. Maintain vaccine in a continuously frozen state at 5°F (-15°C) or colder. No freeze/ thaw cycles are allowed with this vaccine. Vaccine should only be stored in freezers or refrigerator/freezers with separate doors and compartments. Acceptable storage may be achieved in standard

the last 10 years, and standard household refrigerator/freezers with a separate, sealed freezer compartment. "Dormitory-style" units are not appropriate for the storage of varicella vaccine.

In order to maintain temperatures of 5°F (-15°C) or colder, it will be necessary in most refrigerator/ freezer models to turn the temperature dial down to the coldest setting. This may result in the refrigerator compartment temperature being lowered as well. Careful monitoring of the refrigerator temperature will be necessary to avoid freezing killed or inactivated vaccines.

Diluent: May be refrigerated or stored at room temperature 68° F to 77° F (20° to 25° C). Do not freeze or expose to freezing temperatures.

Shelf Life: Check expiration date on vial or container.

Storage Requirements:

and Use:

Shelf Life:

or container.

only the diluent supplied to MCV4: Meningococcal Conjugate Vaccine: Groups A, C, Y, W-135

Refrigerate immediately upon arrival.

Do not freeze or expose to freezing

temperatures. Protect from light.

Store at 36° to 46° F (2° to 8° C).

Check expiration date on vial

Follow manufacturer's directions.

Instructions for Use:

Instructions for Reconstitution

Reconstitute just before using. Use

Shelf Life after Opening: The vaccine should be administered

shortly after withdrawal from the

reconstitute the vaccine. Follow

Shelf Life after Reconstitution,

Protect from light. Discard if not used

within 30 minutes of reconstitution.

manufacturer's directions.

Thawing, or Opening:

Special Instructions:

If this vaccine is stored at a

temperature warmer than 5°F

(-15°C), it will result in a loss of

potency and a reduced shelf life.

If a power outage or some other

the vaccine storage temperature

temperature, the healthcare provider

should contact Merck, the vaccine

manufacturer, at 1-800-609-4618

for a reevaluation of the product's

potency before using the vaccine.

Rotate stock so that the earliest

administering live virus vaccines

dated material is used first.

NOTE: all materials used for

should be burned, boiled, or

autoclaved prior to disposal.

rising above the recommended

situation occurs that results in

Special Instructions: Rotate stock so that the earliest dated material is used first. Vaccine should be injected by the intramuscular route. Do not inject intradermally, subcutaneously, or intravenously.

Multidose Vials: Unused

water for injection; diluent for

10-dose vial also contains 0.01%

thimerosal. Reconstituted vaccine

should be injected subcutaneously.

intramuscularly, or intravenously.

reconstitution.

Special Instructions:

portions of multidose vials may be

8° C) and used up to 35 days after

Diluent to be used is sterile, distilled

refrigerated at 36° to 46° F (2° to

2) notify your health service region.

MPSV4: Meningococcal Polysaccharide Vaccine: Groups A, C, Y, W-135

Shipping Requirements: Should be shipped in insulated container. Maintain temperature at 36° to 46° F (2° to 8° C). Do not freeze or expose to freezing temperatures.

Condition upon Arrival*: Should not have been frozen or exposed to freezing temperatures. Refrigerate upon arrival.

* If you have any questions about the condition of the material at the time of delivery, you should: 1) immediately place material in recommended storage; and 2) notify your health service region.

Storage Requirements: Refrigerate immediately upon arrival. Store at 36° to 46° F

(2° to 8° C). **Do not freeze or** expose to freezing temperatures.

Shelf Life: Check expiration date on vial or container.

Instructions for Reconstitution and Use: Reconstitute gently. This is a white powder that yields a clear, colorless liquid when reconstituted with 0.6 ml (single-dose vial) or 6 ml (10-dose

vial) of sterile distilled water. Follow

Shelf Life after Reconstitution or Opening: Single-Dose Vials: Use within

30 minutes of reconstitution.

manufacturer's directions.

Rotate stock so that the earliest dated material is used first.

Do not inject intradermally,

PCV7: Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine (7-Valent)

Shipping Requirements: Should be shipped in insulated container. Maintain temperature at at 36° to 46° F (2° to 8° C). Do not freeze or expose to freezing temperatures.

Condition upon Arrival*: Should not have been frozen or exposed to freezing temperatures. Refrigerateup upon arrival.

* If you have any questions about the condition of the material at the time of delivery, you should: 1) immediately place material in recommended storage; and 2) notify your health service region.

temperatures.

Storage Requirements: Refrigerate immediately upon arrival. Store at 36° to 46° F (2° to 8° C).

Shelf Life: Check expiration date on vial or container.

Instructions for Use: Vaccine should appear as a homogenous white suspension after vigorous shaking. The vaccine should be administered intramuscularly only. Follow manufacturer's directions.

Shelf Life after Opening: The vaccine should be administered shortly after withdrawal from the vial.

Do not freeze or expose to freezing **Special Instructions:** This vaccine is a suspension

containing adjuvant and should not be used if the particles cannot be resuspended after vigorous shaking.

Rotate stock so that the earliest dated material is used first.

PPV23: Pneumococcal Polysaccharide Vaccine (Polyvalent)

Shipping Requirements: Should be shipped in insulated container. Maintain temperature at at 36° to 46° F (2° to 8° C). Do not freeze or expose to freezing temperatures.

Condition upon Arrival*: Should not have been frozen or exposed to freezing temperatures. Refrigerate upon arrival.

* If you have any questions about the condition of the material at the time of delivery, you should: 1) immediately place material in recommended storage; and 2) notify your health service region.

Refrigerate immediately upon arrival. Store at 36° to 46° F (2° to 8° C). Do not freeze or expose to freezing temperatures. Shelf Life:

Check expiration date on vial or container. **Instructions for Use:**

Storage Requirements:

Follow manufacturer's directions.

Shelf Life After Opening: Single-Dose Vials: The vaccine should be administered shortly after withdrawal from the vial.

Multidose Vials: Unused portions of multidose vials may be refrigerated at 35° to 46° F (2° to 8° C) and used until outdated, if not contaminated.

Special Instructions: Do not inject intravenously. Intradermal administration may cause severe local reactions and should be avoided.

Rotate stock so that the earliest dated material is used first.

Rotavirus Vaccine

Shipping Requirements: Should be shipped in insulated container. Maintain temperature at 36° to 46°F (2° to 8°C). **Do not** freeze or expose to freezing temperatures.

Condition upon Arrival*: Should not have been frozen or exposed to freezing temperatures. Refrigerate upon arrival.

* If you have any questions about the condition of the material at the time of delivery, you should:

1) immediately place material in recommended storage; and 2) notify your health service region.

Refrigerate immediately upon arrival. Store at 36° to 46°F (2° to 8°C). Do not freeze or expose to freezing temperatures. Protect from light.

Storage Requirements:

Shelf Life: Check expiration date on tube or container.

Instructions for Use: Administered as soon as possible after being removed from refrigeration. Follow manufacturer's directions.

Special Instructions: Rotate stock so that the earliest dated material is used first.

After opening use immediately

Shelf Life after Opening:

TIV: Trivalent Inactivated Influenza Vaccine

Storage Requirements: Shipping Requirements: Should be shipped in insulated Refrigerate immediately upon arrival. container. Maintain temperature at Store at 36° to 46° F (2° to 8° C). Do not freeze or expose to 36° to 46° F (2° to 8° C). Do not freeze or expose to freezing temperatures. freezing temperatures.

Condition upon Arrival*: Should not have been frozen or exposed to freezing temperatures. * If you have any questions about the

Shelf Life: Formulated for use during current influenza season.

manufacturer's directions.

Instructions for Use: Shake vial vigorously before withdrawal and use. Follow

Shelf Life after Opening: Multidose Vials: The vaccine should be administered shortly after withdrawal from the vial. Unused portions of multidose vials may be refrigerated at 36° to 46° F (2° to 8° C) and used until outdated, if not contaminated. **Manufacturer-Filled Syringes:** Sterile until removal of hub cap.

Special Instructions: Rotate stock so that the earliest dated material is used first.

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