

SECTION: NURSING

POLICY #: 433 VACCINE STORAGE

POLICY: CVHD follows the manufactured or ND State Health Department recommendations for Vaccine Storage.

PROCEDURE:

1. Vaccine is placed in the proper storage facility upon arrival to the Health District.
2. Nursing staff manually read refrigerator/freezer temps twice day and record results in the temperature log located on each fridge or freezer unit. Temperatures-are documented from the external temperature displays located in the door of the fridge/freezer units.-
3. In the event of a power failure at Central Valley Health District, the back-up generator that will automatically switch to generator power. This generator will power both refrigerator/freezer units that are used for vaccine storage.
4. If the generator unit fails to power up, vaccine will be removed from the refrigerator unit and relocated using portable cooler units for transport. The Director of Nursing or designee will be responsible to see that vaccine is relocated to a working refrigerator/freezer unit. See Policy # 438 for Emergency Relocation of Vaccine.