

## Vaccine Tips

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## Disasters Don't Wait. Make Your Plan Today.

California's history of earthquakes, wildfires, and floods each year around this time are constant reminders of why we always need to be prepared for emergencies. Dry weather and high winds in October can trigger planned Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS) events due to their key role in contributing to new and current ongoing wildfires, and subsequent floods.

Some emergencies and PSPS events may require you to <u>temporarily close your</u> <u>clinic</u> and transport your vaccines to a safe location.

Did you know improper vaccine transport is the leading primary reason for vaccine loss? Make sure you know how to properly transport vaccines.

- ✓ Review Section 6 of your <u>Vaccine Management Plan: Management Plan for Emergencies</u>.
- ✓ Double check your vaccine transport supplies. Label them and keep them accessible.
- ✓ Safeguard your vaccines by ALWAYS using VFC-compliant Digital Data Loggers, including during vaccine transport if transport is indicated and if conditions are safe.
- ✓ <u>VFC Program Operations Manual (POM)</u>: Responding to Vaccine-Related Emergencies

## Stay informed:

- Storage and Handling Job Aids
- Sign up for emails and/or texts about outages near you, including planned PSPS events from your local utility company (<u>PG&E</u>, <u>SCE</u>, <u>SDG&E</u>).



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