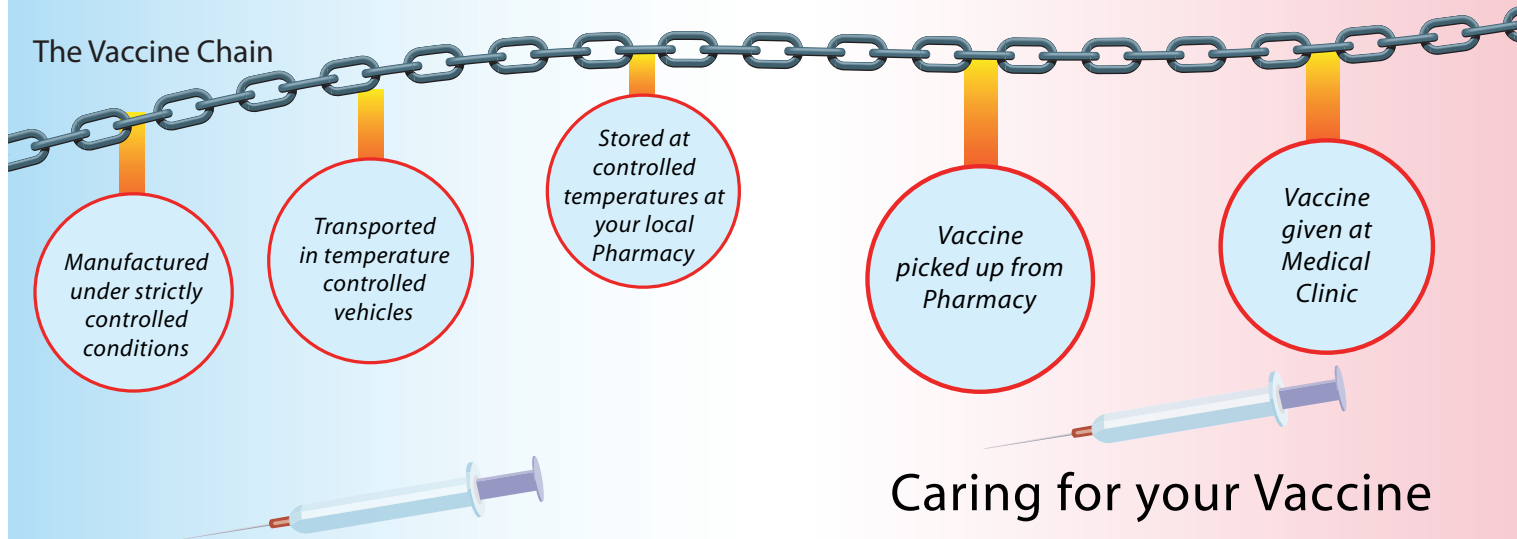


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The Vaccine Chain



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Caring for your Vaccine

When you collect your vaccine you become a vital part of the chain!

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Vaccine Management

Do not let vaccine temperature go
above 8°C or below 2°C



Some Vaccine facts...

All vaccines are manufactured, transported and stored under carefully controlled conditions. To be fully effective most vaccines must be kept at between 2 degrees and 8 degrees Celsius.

Any warmer and they deteriorate rapidly, any colder they may become useless.

Incorrect storage or handling may leave you unprotected from disease.

So ... what can you do to help?

Arrange for your pharmacist or medical practitioner to store vaccines for you until required.

Leave it until the last moment before having your prescription filled - but make sure stock will be on hand!

Use a cool box or pack to carry your vaccine once you have collected it.

Don't leave it in your car on warm days.

Your home refrigerator is not ideal for the storage of vaccines, due to the possibility of freezing.

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