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To: Vaccines for Children (VFC) and 317-Funded Adult (317) Program Providers

From: New Jersey Vaccines for Children Program

Date: January 21, 2016

Re: Severe Weather Alert

Please be advised we are expecting a severe storm event starting Friday, January 22 and continuing into Sunday January 24, 2016.

All VFC and 317 Program providers are encouraged to take precautions to prepare for a potentially major storm with high winds, power outages and flooding. Watch the news to determine the path of the storm and how it will affect your area. If your medical office is in an area predicted to experience flooding and/or a loss of electricity, take action *before the storm arrives* to initiate your emergency vaccine relocation plan. Review your emergency plan now to ensure the safety of your federally-funded and private stock vaccine.

For additional information on transporting vaccine, please refer to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Storage & Handling Toolkit (<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/storage/toolkit/storage-handling-toolkit.pdf>). If you have further questions, call the New Jersey VFC Program at 609-826-4862.