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# Returning Expired VFC or 317 COVID-19 Vaccines

# Returning Opened Multidose Vials

Pfizer's 2023-2024 Pfizer BioNTech Multiple-dose vial is supplied with three, 0.3 mL doses, with a yellow cap and yellow label.

After the first puncture of use, the remaining vaccine in the vial is viable for up to 12 hours.

After the 12-hour window has passed, the vial should be disposed of safely in the biohazard, and the unused vaccine returned in NMSIIS as SPOILED

# Returning Opened Multidose Vials

- Create a new vaccine return

Vaccine Returns [?](#) [Learn More](#)

**Add**

Clinic: [REDACTED] Last Approved Return Date: 09/27/2023 Created By: [REDACTED]

Return Number: R12082023321G00 Return Status: IN WORK Return Type: RETURN ONLY Return Reason: SPOILED

Return Created Date: 12/08/2023 Date Submitted to Program: MM/DD/YYYY Date Submitted to VTrcks: MM/DD/YYYY

Label Shipping Method: EMAILED TO PROVIDER EMAIL STORED IN VTRCKS Description: [REDACTED] Number of Shipping Labels: 0

Clinic Comments: OPENED MULTIDOSE VIALS

VFC Program Comments: [REDACTED]

Vaccine | Mfg | NDC | Brand/Packaging | Funding Source | Lot Number | Expiration Date | Doses Remaining | Doses Returning

BEGIN TYPING A VACCINE, MFG CODE, NDC, BRAND/PACKAGING, FUNDING SOURCE, LOT #, OR DATE HERE

Vaccines To Return

| Vaccination          | Mfg NDC           | Brand/Packaging                            | Funding Src | Lot Number | Expiration Date | Doses Remaining | Doses Returned |
|----------------------|-------------------|--|-------------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| COVID-19 (PFR) 6m-4y | PFR 59267-4315-02 | COVID-10 (PFR) Comirnaty 6m-4y (MDV, 10pk) | BLENDED     | HH3252     | 07/31/2024      | 15              | 5              |

- The Return Reason should be SPOILED
- You will request 0 labels – the vaccines are being reported and removed from your inventory.
- You will dispose of the vials in your biohazard.
- In the clinic comments box, put the comment OPENED MULTIDOSE VIALS
- Click the blue CREATE box, then SUBMIT TO VFC PROGRAM to complete the return.

# Returning Expired COVID-19 Doses

- Pfizer's Comirnaty vaccines can be stored at ultra-low temperatures (-130F to -76F) until the expiration date.
- Once moved to refrigerated storage (36F to 46F) the expiration date is 10 weeks from the day they were moved from the ULT storage.
- Boxes/vials must be labeled to identify when the beyond-use date has been reached.
- Vaccines should NOT be used after this date.


# Returning Expired COVID-19 Doses

- Moderna's Spikevax vaccine is stored between -50F and 5F until it's expiration date.
- Once moved to refrigerated storage (36F to 46F), the Moderna vaccine is viable for 30 days.
- Boxes/vials must be labeled to identify when the beyond-use date has been reached.
- Vaccines should NOT be used after this date.

# Returning Expired COVID-19 Doses

- To return Pfizer or Moderna doses that have expired before the rest of the lot, contact your Regional Immunization Coordinator for assistance or the NMSIIS Help Desk.
- Doses must be subtracted from inventory then added in with the expired expiration date for return to McKesson.

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# Avoiding Loss and Waste

- To avoid loss and waste, do not move more vaccines out of the ultra cold storage than you will use in a 10-week period.
- If you do not have ultra cold storage, consider ordering Moderna's COVID vaccines as these can be stored at frozen temperatures (-58F to 5F) until their expiration date.
- Only order what you can use in a month's time.