WS- Vaccine Storage and Handling and Cold Chain Break Procedure Dec. 2023

Appendix B- Non-mRNA COVID-19 Vaccine Storage & Handling Summary Table

Characteristics	Novavax XBB.1.5 12 Years and older 5 mcg/0.5 ml Novavax COU-19 Vaccine, Value And
Brand Name	NUVAXOVID [™] XBB.1.5
Expiry	Expiry date printed on the label
Standard Freezer Storage	NO
Thawing Instructions	N/A
<u>Closed Vials</u> Refrigerator Storage	+2 to +8 °C until expiry DO NOT FREEZE
<u>Closed Vials</u> Room Temperature Handling	Do not store at room temperature until ready to use
Open/Diluted Vial Storage & Handling Mark vials with date and time of discard after first puncture	 Fridge (2° C to +8° C) for 12 hours or Room Temp (≤ +25°C) for 6 hours
Protect from light	YesStore in original carton or opaque/amber bag.
Handling	DO NOT SHAKE – gently swirl before withdrawing dose
Transportation in Thawed State (See work standard, <i>Transportation of Fridge</i> <i>Stable COVID-19 Vaccines</i> , in the COVID-19 Immunization Manual)	 Transport vaccine between +2° C to +8° C. The container must be able to maintain vaccine between +2° C to +8° C for the duration of the intended transport. Label "DO NOT FREEZE" and "FRAGILE-HANDLE WITH CARE" on the transport container. Add a temperature monitoring device to the centre of the cooler (data logger is strongly recommended but if not available, a minimum/maximum thermometer may be used). Data logger must be programmed to alert if under +2°C or over +8°C. For open vial transport, ensure the vaccine will be utilized within the stability time period allowed.