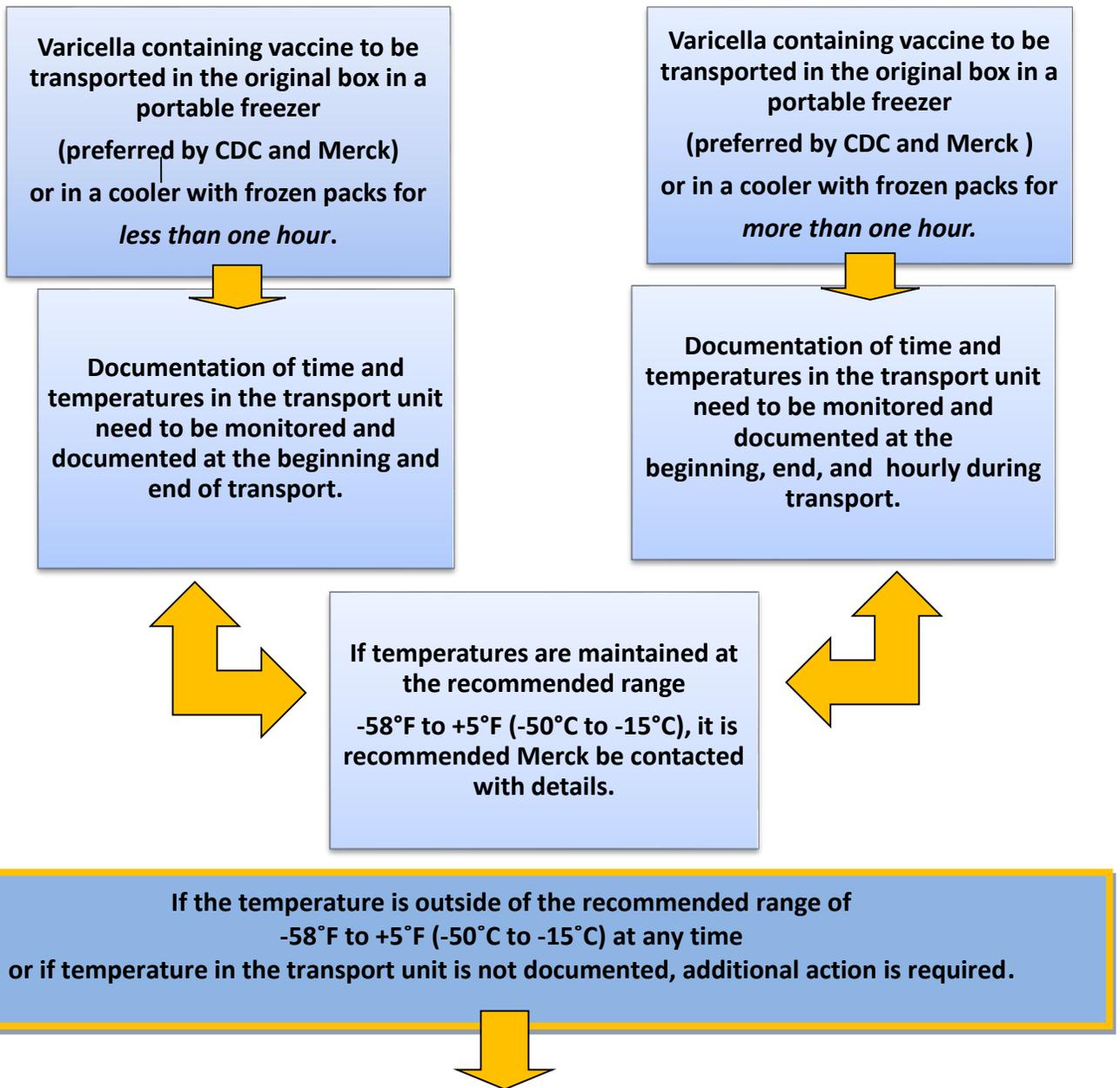


# TRANSPORTING FROZEN VACCINES BY NECESSITY

**CDC and Merck do NOT recommend transporting varicella-containing vaccines**



1. Place vaccine in permanent freezer unit between -58°F to +5°F (-50°C to -15°C).
2. Label "DO NOT USE", keep it separate by placing in a clearly labeled paper bag.
3. Call Merck to report; include description of incident, time and temperature at beginning, during and end of transport, report vaccine type, expiration date and lot number. Inform Merck if this vaccine lot has been previously exposed to temperatures outside of recommended range -58°F to +5°F (-50°C to -15°C).
4. Merck National Service Center phone number is 1-800-672-6372. This number is open 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM. If call is placed after hours, leave a message and Merck will call back in the morning.
5. Merck will give guidance on the use of this vaccine. Document what Merck reports.
6. An Incident Report will need completed and faxed to the PA VFC program at 717214-7223 within 5 days.