1. Put cold packs in areas where vaccines should not be stored, including the freezer door and the top shelf.

2. Use a continuous digital data logger with a buffered probe as both the primary and backup thermometers.

3. Attach the display of the continuous digital data logger to the outside of the freezer, either on the door or on the side. Set the thermostat. Place a sign near the thermostat that says: **Do not adjust the temperature controls. Notify vaccine coordinator if adjustment is necessary.**


5. Set the freezer temperature:
   - If the freezer has a thermostat, set it at 0°F/-18°C.
   - If it has a dial with a number range, set it in the middle. The next morning, check the temperature and adjust the dial until the temperature stabilizes at about 0°F/-18°C.

6. Once the temperature stabilizes, record temperature on the log once daily. Do not store vaccines in the freezer until the temperature stays at around 0°F/-18°C for at least 48 hours.

*Pharmaceutical-grade combined refrigerator and freezer units offer essential features required for responsible vaccine storage and are ideal for clinics wanting a best-practice storage solution.