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Clinical Advisory – Ofost 10IU/ml (Oxytocin)– storage arrangements

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| To | Paramedics, Advanced Paramedics, Supervisors, Managers |
| From | Clinical Director |
| Subject | Ofost 10IU/ml (Oxytocin) – storage arrangements |
| Date | December 15th 2023 |

Dear colleagues,

Oxytocin is a synthetic hormone used to control post-partum haemorrhage. Its stability when stored, is periodically redefined. This memo is to update its storage requirements.

Stability data from the manufacturer has proved that OFOST 10IU/ml can be stored outside the 2°C to 8°C range for a period of up to 6 months at 25 °C temperature. The data ensures that the drug product meets the quality specification requirements at the 6-month time point.

It is reasonable to store this product and amend the expiry date to **6 months from the time the drug is removed from refrigeration** and placed in the drug bag.

Best wishes,

Prof Cathal O'Donnell
Clinical Director