

Regional Rabies Post Exposure Treatment sites: Interim Process for ordering HRIG and vaccine on an emergency basis

The National Cold Chain Service (NCCS) now holds the supply of Human Rabies Immunoglobulin (HRIG) and Rabies vaccines, which were managed previously by Cherry Orchard Hospital. Discussions are on-going as to whether supplies will be held regionally or in a single national location as was the case previously.

On an interim basis, in the event of a presentation that requires Human Rabies Immunoglobulin (HRIG) or Rabies vaccine:

1. The site can email NCCS (vaccines@udd.ie) or call to place an order.
2. NCCS is contactable 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. Contact phone number during office hours is 01 4637770. **Out of hours number is 086 7700846.**
3. The person ordering the HRIG/vaccines will require the Hospital's National Cold Chain Service (NCCS) account number. CUH NCCS account number is **3001165**. This will need to be quoted at the point of ordering.
4. If the supply is required on an out of hours basis it is imperative to ensure that the NCCS are aware of the location for delivery of the order.

It is expected (hoped!) that a full National and/or Regional process will be worked out fully in coming weeks.