

HealthPRO is pleased to announce the selection of IMS as the exclusive supplier of pharmaceutical temperature monitoring solutions to its members. As part of its selection, IMS is able to offer special HealthPRO member pricing on its products and services, as well as system evaluation pilots, and special promotions as described below.

IMS offers state of the art, and cost-effective, wireless monitoring solutions that can work on its own wireless infrastructure, or take advantage of a hospital's existing WiFi network, to deliver current and historical temperature information through a standard web interface. An IMS solution can include integrated temperature sensing throughout the main pharmacy area, and can also include remote fridges on nursing units, the emergency department, critical care units, and even in satellite buildings.

IMS system benefits include:

- Real-time temperature monitoring that can negate the need for manual temperature reviews,
- A rapid and low-cost deployment through a wireless infrastructure, including a hospital's existing WiFi network,
- Web-based system access and reporting,
- Automated alerting, if an excursion occurs, including text messaging and call centre options,
- A complete audit trail of all temperature excursions, and the corrective actions taken,
- 24/7 access to current temperature information,
- Up to 2 years of on-line historical temperature information,
- Automated daily temperature status reports, and
- User definable system parameters.

In addition to temperature monitoring solutions, IMS provides other valuable services to support temperature stabilities for pharmaceutical storage and shipping, including:

- Sensor calibrations that comply with the Health Canada regulations,
- Temperature mapping studies,
- Equipment validations, and
- Container studies.

While not every hospital is currently in a position to introduce an automated temperature monitoring system across their entire organization, the need to ensure temperature stability is still an important consideration as it applies to quality assurance and risk management programs, accreditation guidelines and regulatory requirements. To assist hospitals in this regard, **IMS is pleased to offer a no-cost introductory promotion to HealthPRO members** in which two calibrated temperature dataloggers will be provided to a hospital so that the temperatures in two critical fridges can be properly evaluated. In addition, if a hospital proceeds to undertake a full temperature study prior to March 31, 2011, IMS will offer a further 10% discount on its already low HealthPro member price.

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