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### **Storage conditions of drugs as an essential factor for maintaining efficacy**

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“I take the medicine but no effect”, one of the hidden causes to hear these sentences from the patient is the distortion of storage conditions during storage, shipping or distribution of the pharmaceutical products. The loss of potency during storage may influence the efficacy and safety of pharmaceuticals. Pharmaceutical products require controlled storage and transit conditions in order to ensure that their quality is not compromised. Storage is an important aspect of the total drug control system. Proper environmental control (i.e., proper temperature, light,

and humidity, conditions of sanitation, ventilation, and segregation) must be maintained wherever drugs and supplies are stored on the premises. So pharmacists, warehouse officers in pharmaceutical manufacturing companies or anyone in handling with the pharmaceutical products should pay great attention to the storage requirements of each type of pharmaceutical products to ensure that it maintains its efficacy pattern during its whole shelf life.

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