VIMS Pearls - Tracking Your Vaccine Order

VIMS stands for Vaccine Inventory Management System; it is the Vermont Registry based tool providers use to manage their state-supplied inventory and order vaccines.

Shipment tracking and carrier information is added to an Order Request the morning after vaccine is shipped by the distributor (McKesson for refrigerated vaccines and Merck for frozen). To find this information:

1) Click on the View History link in the main VIMS Menu.
2) Look for Request Type: Order.
3) Request Status:
   
   *Incomplete, Submitted, IZ Hold, Approved, Pending Extract or Pending Shipment* = shipment information unavailable

   *Partial Shipment or Full Shipment* = shipment information available

4) If shipment information is available, click on the “View” link.

Once the Order Request is retrieved, the shipment information is displayed in a separate table below the order itself. It includes lot, expiration, carrier and tracking information.