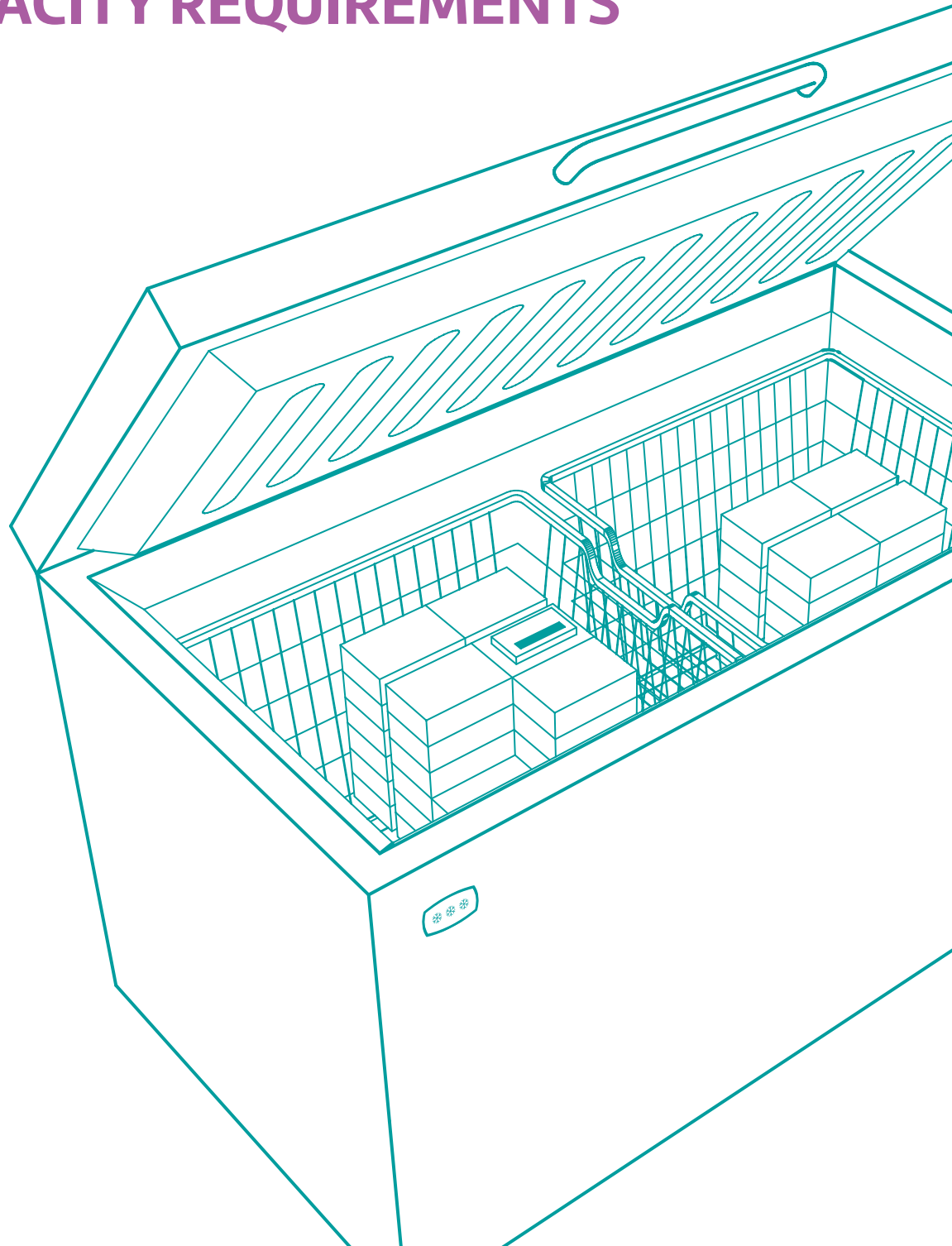




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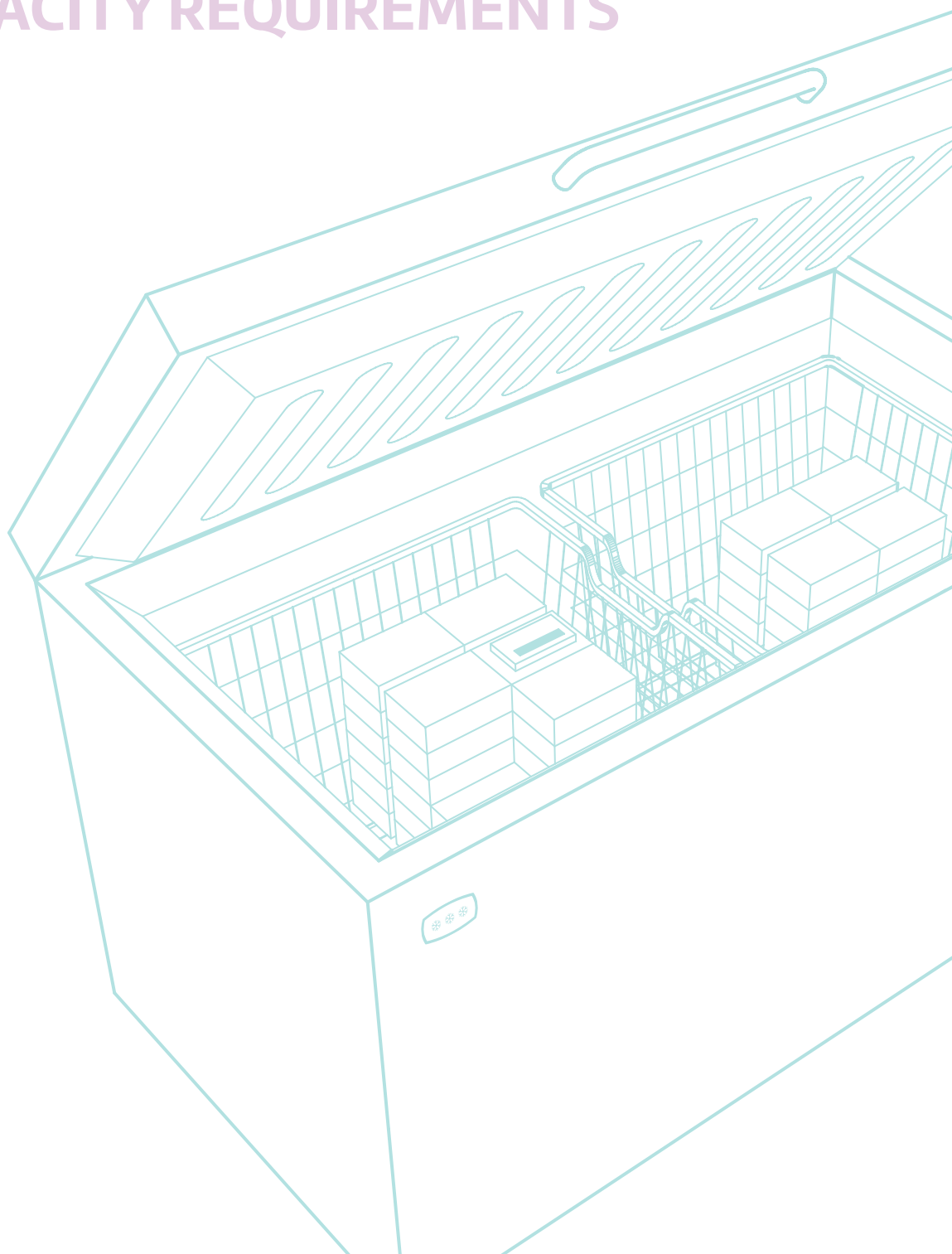
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Advice in the VMH generally conforms to the guidance on good storage and distribution practice given in WHO Technical Report Series, No. 961, 2011, Annex 9: *Model guidance for the storage and transport of time- and temperature-sensitive pharmaceutical products*.²

¹ Effective Vaccine Management (EVM) Initiative Model Standard Operating Procedures. Geneva: World Health Organization; 2015 (http://www.who.int/immunization/programmes_systems/supply_chain/eum/en/index2.html, accessed 15 June 2016).

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Abbreviations

AD	autodisable
BCG	bacille Calmette–Guérin vaccine
DTP	diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis vaccine
EVM	Effective Vaccine Management
HepB	hepatitis B vaccine
Hib	<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b vaccine
IPV	inactivated poliovirus vaccine
OPV	oral poliovirus vaccine
PCV13	13-valent pneumococcal conjugate vaccine
PQS	performance, quality and safety [WHO]
SIA	supplementary immunization activity
SOP	standard operating procedure
TT	tetanus toxoid vaccine
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
VMH	Vaccine Management Handbook
WIC	walk-in cold room
WIF	walk-in freezer room
WHO	World Health Organization

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