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FROM: CDPH
SUBJECT: EZIZ Message: Immunize with Tdap during every pregnancy
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Dear EZIZ users,

The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) has released [updated recommendations](#) for vaccinating pregnant women with Tdap.

- **Health-care personnel should:**
 - **administer a dose of Tdap during each pregnancy**, irrespective of the patient's prior history of receiving Tdap. To maximize the maternal antibody response and passive antibody transfer to the infant, **optional timing for Tdap administration is between 27 and 36 weeks of gestation.**
- **Tdap should also be given:**
 - to all adolescents and adults who have not received Tdap.
 - after giving birth, before hospital discharge, to women who have not received Tdap (even if breastfeeding).
 - to other family members and close contacts of infants who have not received Tdap, ideally at least 2 weeks prior to contact with the baby.

Related Information:

[Stop Pertussis: Pregnant Women and Their Babies Rely on You](#) [PDF]

[Tdap for Pregnant Women: Information for Providers](#)

[Guidelines for Vaccinating Pregnant Women](#)

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