Dear EZIZ users:

Do you know an immunization leader or advocate in your community? Nominate them for the CDC’s Childhood Immunization Champion Award! The CDC Childhood Immunization Champion Award is an annual award that recognizes individuals who make a significant contribution toward improving public health through their work in childhood immunization. One individual will be selected as a champion from each of the 50 US states, 8 U.S. Territories and Freely Associated States, and the District of Columbia. California’s Immunization Champion will receive national and state recognition. The awardee will be honored through announcements during National Infant Immunization Week, April 26 - May 3, 2014, receive an award of recognition from CDC, be featured on CDC and CDPH websites, and possibly have a public appearance by California’s beloved Immunization advocate and mascot, IZZY Bear.

Nominees may include health care professionals (e.g., physicians, nurses, physicians’ assistants, nurse practitioners, medical assistants, etc.), coalition members, parents, and other immunization leaders who meet the award criteria. Individuals may also be self-nominated. For more information regarding eligibility, the nomination, and selection process, please visit the CDC Immunization Champion website. Deadline for submission of nomination packages to the State Immunization Branch is February 14, 2014.