

TO: EZIZ Users
FROM: CDPH
SUBJECT: Father's Day Message
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Dear EZIZ Users:

This Sunday is Father's Day! This is the special day when we celebrate the love and guidance our fathers have given us and also an opportune time to consider what we can do to protect *all* dads and everyone around them.

We urge you to:

- **Assess the immunization status of all of your patients:**
 - The latest adult immunization schedule is available at: <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/imz/adult.html>.
 - The easy-to-read schedule for patients is available at: <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/downloads/adult/adult-schedule-easy-read.pdf>.

- **Recommend:**
 - Make a strong recommendation for immunizations needed. Fathers-to-be or dads around infants need to get a whooping cough shot (Tdap) to protect the new baby.
 - Immunization health education materials are available at: <http://eziz.org/resources/immunization-promo-materials/>.

- **Give vaccine or refer:**
 - If you don't stock all vaccines, make sure to refer patients to a convenient location: <http://vaccine.healthmap.org/>.
 - Encourage patients to call their health plan to verify costs if they plan to visit a pharmacy.

- **Document immunization(s) received.**
 - Make sure to ask your patients if they received the immunizations you recommended.
 - Use your EHR and/or the [California Immunization Registry](#) (CAIR) to document receipt of vaccination.

Thank you for protecting our remarkable dads. We hope you have a wonderful Father's Day!