Dear EZIZ users,

Flu season is around the corner. In preparation, we’d like to call your attention to what has changed this season:

1. **Healthy children 2 years and older may receive either inactivated or live influenza vaccine** – there is no preferential recommendation this season.

2. **Two [A (H3N2) and B/Yamagata] vaccine virus strains have been updated***
   a. All 2015-16 influenza trivalent (three-component) vaccines are made to protect against the following three viruses:
      o an A/California/7/2009 (H1N1)pdm09-like virus
      o *an A/Switzerland/9715293/2013 (H3N2)-like virus
      o *a B/Phuket/3073/2013-like virus. (This is a B/Yamagata lineage virus)
   b. In addition to the three strains listed above, the quadrivalent vaccine also protects against B/Brisbane/60/2008-like (Victoria lineage) virus component.

3. **The dosing algorithm for children 6 months through 8 years of age has been adjusted**: [http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm6430a3.htm#Fig1](http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm6430a3.htm#Fig1)
4. Newly licensed products for adult immunization include:
   a. One jet injector device (the PharmaJet Stratis 0.5ml Needle-free Jet Injector) is approved for delivery of one particular flu vaccine (AFLURIA® by bioCSL Inc.) in ages 18-64 years.
   b. Flublok®, previously approved for ages 18-49 years, is now indicated for persons 18 years and older.
   c. Fluzone® Intradermal Quadrivalent is approved for ages 18-64 years and is likely to replace the trivalent intradermal vaccine.