

F O T O N O V E L A

A Lost Love

Un Amor Perdido



A TRUE STORY ABOUT FLU VACCINATION FOR YOUR FAMILY AND LOVED ONES

How to use this Fotonovela



*The fotonovela *Un amor perdido* (A Lost Love) brought to you by the US Department of Health and Human Services is a tool to help facilitate a discussion on the importance of influenza vaccination among pregnant women.*

The fotonovela uses a dramatic story format that helps provoke thoughtful interaction for the readers.

For additional immunization resources please visit:

*<http://www.cdc.gov/flu>
or call CDC at 1-800-232-4636*



JORGE & MONICA...

A black and white photograph of a man (Jorge) and a woman (Monica) sitting in the front of a car. Jorge is driving, looking towards Monica, who is looking forward.

Hay, Mónica...
Are you okay?

I'm nervous.
Today is the sonogram.
I want our baby to be
healthy.

Jorge, be careful!

A black and white photograph of Jorge and Monica in the car. Monica is looking at Jorge, who is looking forward.

You worried about
our Nadia too, and she was
born perfectly healthy.

A black and white photograph of the exterior of a pharmacy. A woman (Anamaria) is walking on the sidewalk in front of the building.

Oh, que bueno, a
parking space right
in front.

Hola Dolores.
We're here for my check
up and sonogram with Dr.
Guerra.

Mira, our neighbor
Anamaria. I guess she has
an appointment today, too.

A black and white photograph of Jorge and Monica sitting at a desk in a medical office. A woman (Dolores) is standing behind the desk, looking at them.

Hola Mónica.
You look muy bella and
you're always on time.

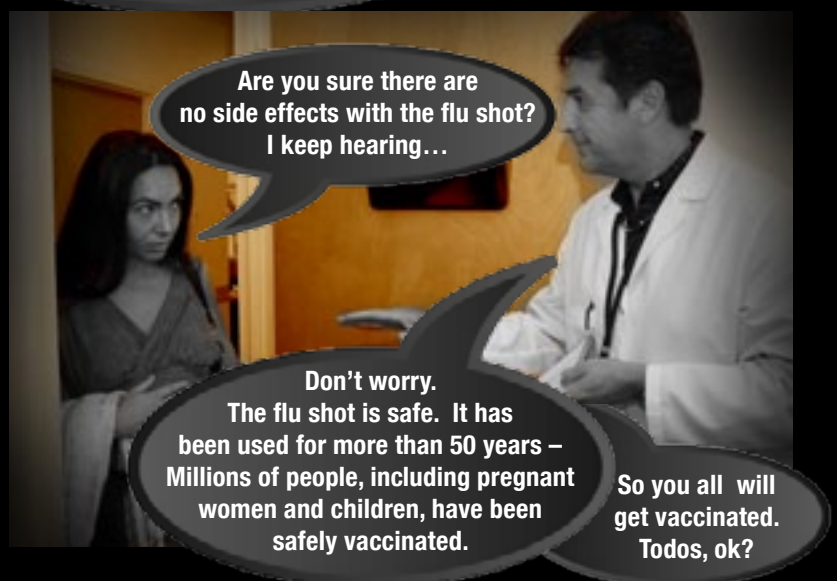
Take a seat.
Dr. Guerra will be right
with you.

A black and white photograph of Jorge and Monica standing and talking to a pregnant woman (Anamaria).

Anamaria,
que bonita te ves.
¿Como esta tu familia?

Oh, it's my turn to go in...
Take good care, un beso.

Gracias. My family is well.
You can only imagine with this being
our first baby... Mama calls me every
day to see how I am doing.



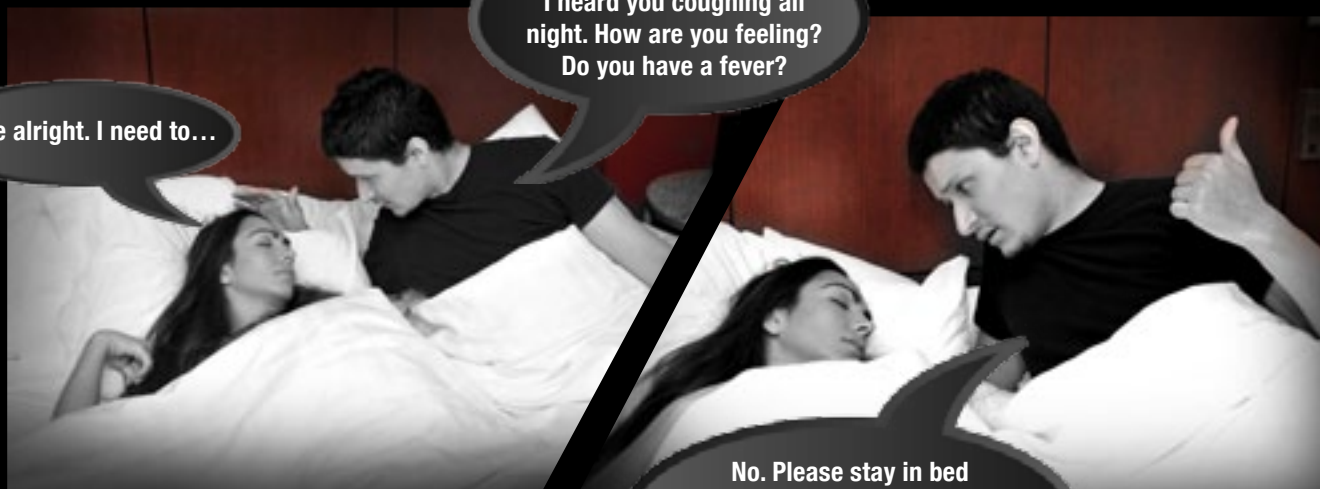
TWO DAYS LATER...



FOUR WEEKS LATER...



THE NEXT MORNING...



LATER IN THE DAY...



ON THE WAY TO HOSPITAL...



Dr. Guerra, What is happening?
Are my wife and baby all right?

Jorge, I am very sorry to tell you
that Mónica is worse than we expected.
We need to monitor her very closely.
By the way, when did she get
her flu shot?

I am afraid she didn't.



I love you too.
What about the baby?
Will she be okay?

Bring what, mi amor?
Tell me, que quieres?

A priest.

A priest!? Mónica...
No, no... You will be okay?

Mónica, I love you.
The doctors will help you feel better
soon, okay. Dr. Guerra said that you
have a serious case of the flu.
Amor, I'm here...



Jorge. If something happens...
take good care of Nadia. Tell her....
tell her that her mommy loves
her very much.



ONE YEAR LATER...



Your mommy wanted us to take good care of each other. So tomorrow we are going to get a flu vaccine together.



Will it make mommy happy?

I love you Papi.
I love mommy, too.

Oh, yes. Very happy
and proud of her big girl.



Papi will always protect you.
Mommy will always be with us in spirit.

BASED ON A TRUE STORY



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- *Getting a flu vaccine is the first and most important step in protecting against flu*
 - *Getting a flu shot is a safe way for pregnant women to prevent possible flu-related complications*
 - *Flu is more likely to cause severe illness in pregnant women than in women who are not pregnant*
 - *Changes in the immune system, heart, and lungs during pregnancy make pregnant women more prone to severe illness from flu as well as hospitalization and even death*
 - *Millions of pregnant women have safely received flu shots for many years*
 - *A flu shot during pregnancy protects both mom and baby (up to 6 months of age) from flu*
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