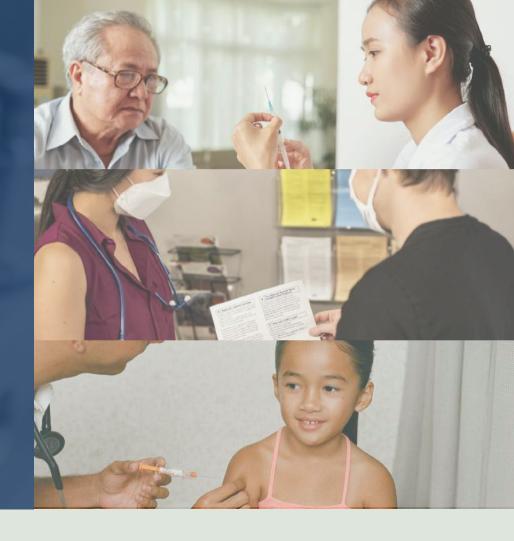


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VACCINE HESITANCY: COMMON, SERIOUS, DISASTROUS AND AVOIDABLE

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VACCINE HESITANCY IS A "DISEASE" THAT IS SPREADING GLOBALLY...

These are the 10 biggest threats to global health in 2019

Based on rankings from the World Health Organization

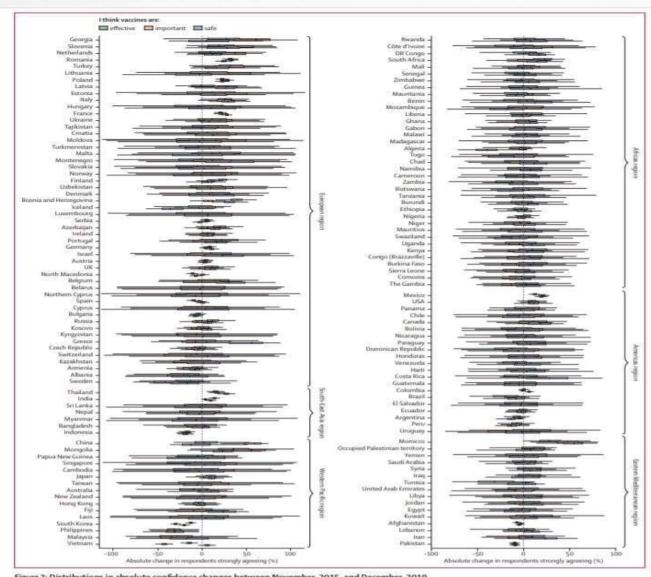
- 1. Air pollution and climate change
- Noncommunicable diseases
- 3. Global influenza pandemic
- 4. Fragile and vulnerable settings
- 5. Antimicrobial resistance
- 6. Ebola and other high-threat pathogens
- 7. Weak primary healthcare
- 8. Vaccine hesitancy
- 9. Dengue fever
- 10. HIV

Source: World Health Organization

These are the most urgent health challenges to tackle in 2020 Based on a list of urgent global health challenges created by WHO. 2020

- 1. Elevating health in the climate debate
- 2. Delivering health in conflict and crisis
- 3. Making healthcare fairer
- 4. Expanding access to medicines
- 5. Stopping infectious diseases
- 6. Preparing for epidemics
- 7. Protecting people from dangeorous products
- 8. Investing in the people who defend our health
- O Kooning adolescents safe
- 10. Earning public trust

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Largest global vaccine
confidence survey suggests
that overall confidence in
vaccines—including safety,
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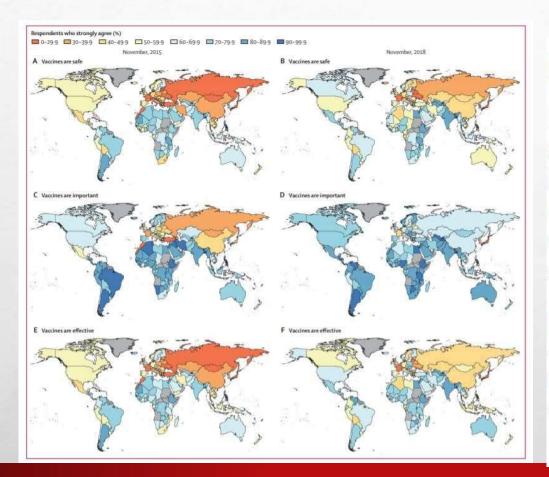
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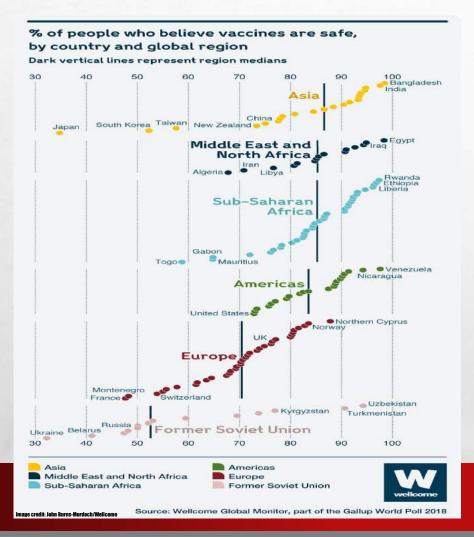
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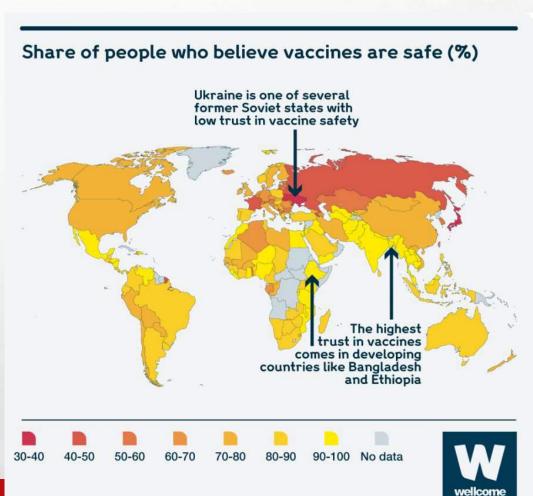
Six countries show significant increases in % of survey respondents strongly disagreeing vaccines are safe: Azerbaijan , Afghanistan

🔯, Indonesia 💳, Nigeria

Pakistan & Serbia ——mirroring trends in political instability & religious extremism hubs.li/H0vXTbc0

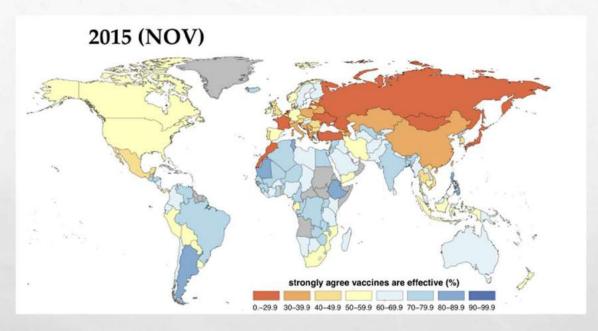
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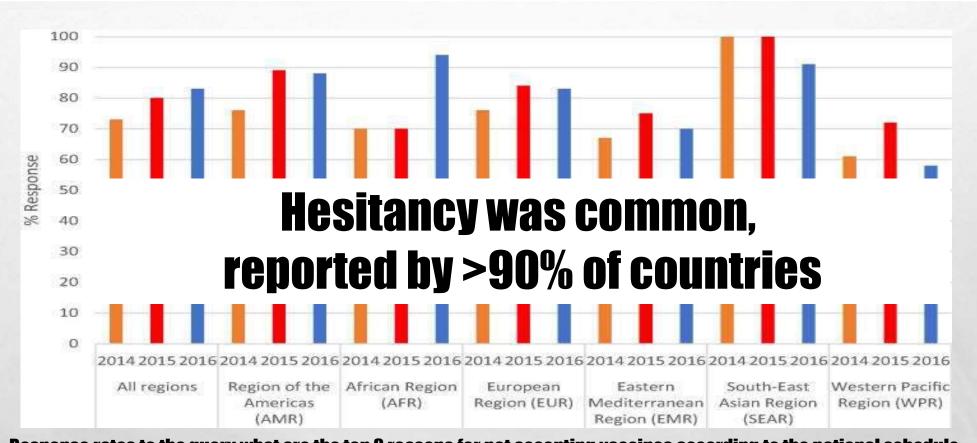
Source: Wellcome Global Monitor, part of the Gallup World Poll 2018

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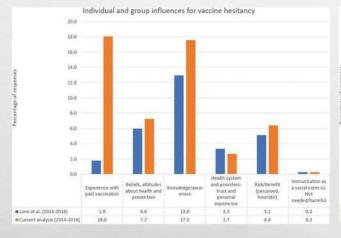
Global map of rising and falling confidence in the overall safety and general effectiveness of vaccines and importance of vaccinating children

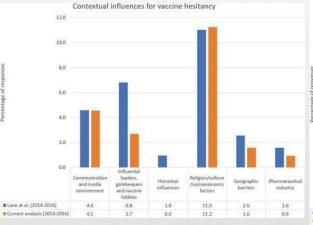
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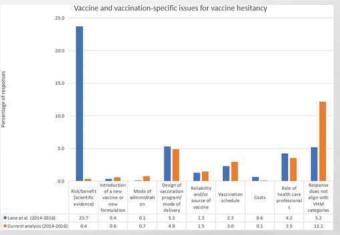


Response rates to the query what are the top 3 reasons for not accepting vaccines according to the national schedule reported by countries in the 6 WHO regions over the past 3 years.

CONTRIBUTORS TO VACCINE HESITANCY





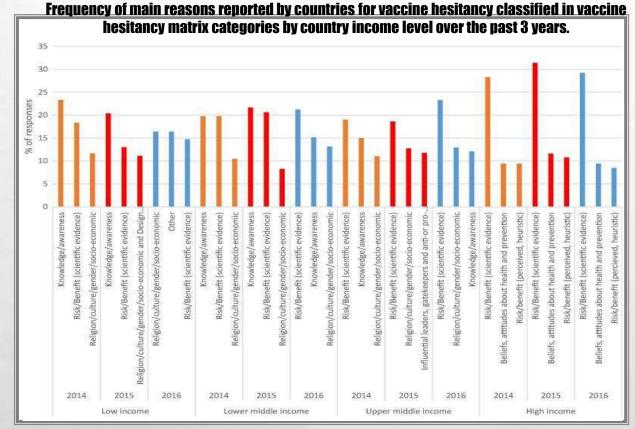


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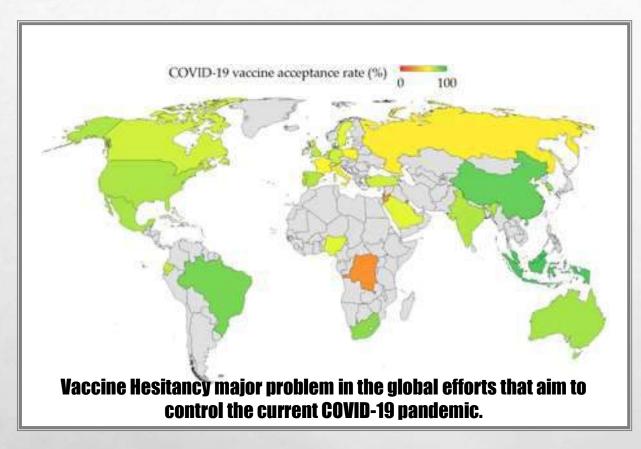
TOP REASONS

- DESIGN OF VACCINATION
 PROGRAM/MODE OF DELIVERY
- RISK-BENEFIT (SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCE)
- LACK OF KNOWLEDGE AND AWARENESS OF VACCINATION FOR COUNTRIES.
- INFLUENTIAL LEADERS,
 IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM
 GATEKEEPERS AND ANTI-OR PROVACCINATION LOBBIES



RISK FACTORS

- PRESENCE OF ANTI-VAXXERS, ORGANIZED / BLOGGERS ISOLATED SOCIAL MEDIA
- POLITICS
- FUND GENERATION
- SCIENTIFIC UNCERTAINTIES
- RELIGIOUS ISSUES
- **CONSPIRACY THEORIES**
- BIOTERRORISM



VACCINE ACCEPTANCE

 LOW RATES OF COVID-19 VACCINE ACCEPTANCE WERE REPORTED IN THE MIDDLE EAST, RUSSIA, AFRICA AND SEVERAL EUROPEAN COUNTRIES.

COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy worldwide: a systematic review of vaccine acceptance rates.Malik Sallam.medRxiv 2020.12.28.20248950; doi:https://doi.org/10.1101/2020.12.28.20248950.Vaccines doi: 10.3390/vaccines9020160

CLINICAL MANIFESTATIONS

- VPD OUTBREAKS
- DISTRUST OF PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICIALS
- LOSS OF LIVES- MORE IN CHILDREN
 THAN ADULTS
- BREAKDOWN OF HEALTH DELIVERY SYSTEM
- EMERGENCE OF NEW PATHOGENS AND DISEASES WITH MUTANTS/VARIANTS

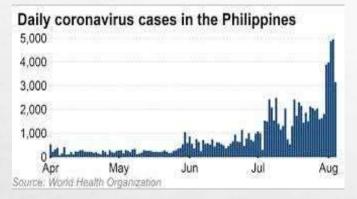
"alongside declining immunization coverage, the infants in the Philippines had substantial delays in vaccine receipt" 1





1.Raguindin, P.F., Morales-Dizon, M., Aldaba, J. et al. Timeliness of childhood vaccinations in the Philippines. J Public Health Pol (2021). https://doi.org/10.1057/s41271-020-00255-w

COMPLICATIONS





47% of Metro Manila respondents undecided on <u>COVID-19 vaccine</u> - survey

COVID-18



- LOSS OF LIVES
- LOSS OF JOBS -ECONOMIC BREAKDOWN AND DISASTER
- MULTI-AGENCY AND INTER-AGENCY FAILURE LEADING TO TOTAL SYSTEM COLLAPSE (WITHOUT ANY)

INTERVENTION)

TREATMENT/MANAGEMENT



COMMUNICATION



ADVOCACY



FINDING CHAMPIONS

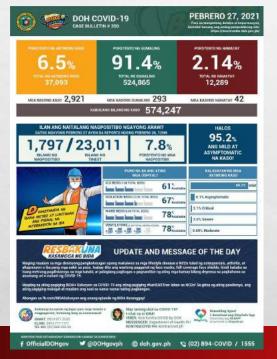


POSITIVE CONVERSATIONS



FACTS AND EVIDENCE PRESENTATION

HOW PH IS HANDLING VACCINE HESITANCY











Vesterday at 8:48 AM - 3 Learn more about the Covid-19 vaccines from the experts as AKAP Guro CONNECTED, together with the Department of Health and in partnership with the Department of Education, present a series of talks that will provide teachers and school administrators with important information about vaccines. These webinars will also be a venue to engage in in-depth discussions with key opinion leaders. Join us as we get to know more about the Covid-19 vaccines, its benefits and how it will b... See More

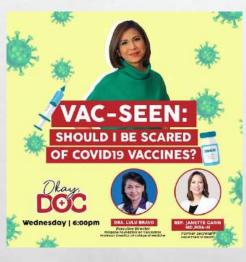
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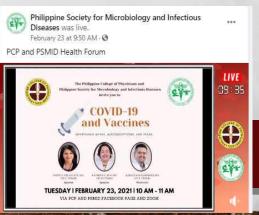




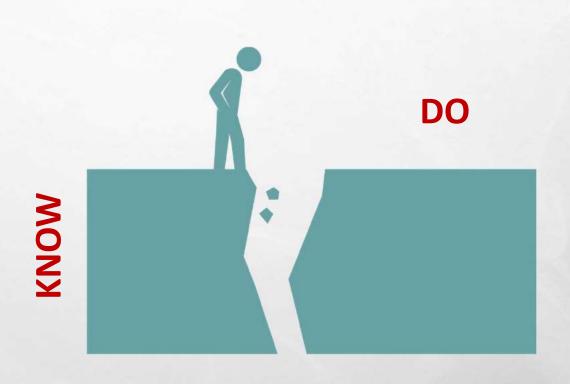








Vaccine confidence cannot be increased by facts and education alone





INSIGHTS FROM AP EXPERTS

Pakistan

We should not miss any opportunity to dispel myths on vaccinations

Sri Lanka

Take in consideration the lessons and experience in this pandemic - it is time for a global strategy.

Myanmar

Increase access points for vaccination to decrease need for travel.

Thailand

Home vaccination is possible!

Malaysia

Measles outbreak would be imminent early 2021 unless vaccine uptake is increased

It is an opportune time to remind **Singapore** Everyone that there are many vaccines available for many diseases.

Republic of Korea

We need to encourage more elderly to get vaccinated – cell phone text has been effective for child vaccination reminder.

Japan

Main reason for delaying vaccination is fear of COVID-19

Hong Kong, China

There is no documented decrease in vaccination coverage.

Philippines

Doctors sharing pictures of themselves in PPE and how safe their clinics are for vaccination would be reassuring.

Indonesia

Perceived immunization level has gone down compared to pre-pandemic level.

Australia

Missed doses, delayed vaccination, outbreaks will further strain in the healthcare system.

PREVENTION

- *SURVEILLANCE
 AND MONITORING
- RESEARCHAND INNOVATIONGOOD GOVERNANCE

AND LEADERSHIP









DOH, NTF: DONATED SINOVAC VACCINES TO ARRIVE OVER THE NEXT FEW DAYS, ROLLOUT SCHEDULE ON HOLD PENDING NITAG RECOMMENDATION ON ALLOCATION

February 26, 2021

DOH CALLS ON PARENTS TO HAVE CHILDREN VACCINATED AGAINST MEASLES, RUBELLA, AND POLIO

February 23, 2021

BIOSURVEILLANCE DETECTS SARS-COV-2 MUTATIONS; FURTHER INVESTIGATION NEEDED TO DETERMINE PUBLIC HEALTH IMPLICATION

February 19, 2021

DOH: COVID-19 TREND STABILIZING BUT EXTRA VIGILANCE NEEDED TO RETAIN TREND AND CONTINUE REOPENING ECONOMY

February 18, 2021

THE ASIA PACIFIC REGION HAS A LARGE POTENTIAL TO INCREASE VACCINE UPTAKE MOVING FORWARD...IT HAS BEEN DONE IN THE PAST, IT CAN BE DONE AGAIN



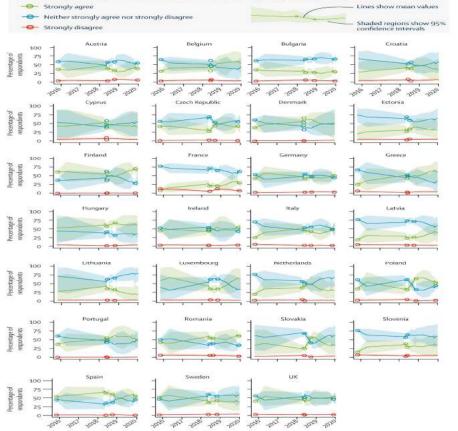
Success Story: Vaccination of Health Care Workers in Vietnam with Seasonal Influenza Vaccine

Posted July 10, 2018

School Immunization Programme in Malaysia 24 February to 4 March 2008



Trends in the perceived safety of vaccines Estimated percentages of respondents in EU countries agreeing or disagreeing that vaccines are safe



The Lancet @ @TheLancet

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Findings from largest study of global vaccine confidence to date finds that although confidence remains low across Europe, there are signs that it is increasing for much of Europe, including France hubs.li/H0w0gKb0

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The best science for better lives

THE PATH TOWARDS THE SUCCESS OF THE COVID-19 VACCINE AND OTHER VACCINES DEPEND ON VACCINE CONFIDENCE. VACCINE CONFIDENCE NOW DEPENDS ON EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION AND CAREFUL PLANNING.



Talk about VACCINE SAFETY clearly



Keep your key message clear and simple



Know your target audience: What questions do they have?



Choose your means of communication



Develop a plan



Understand the media's perspective





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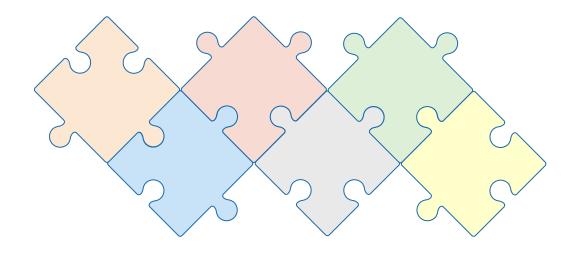
Building knowledge about the drivers of vaccine acceptance

Kaitlin Christenson
Sabin Vaccine Institute
March 2, 2021

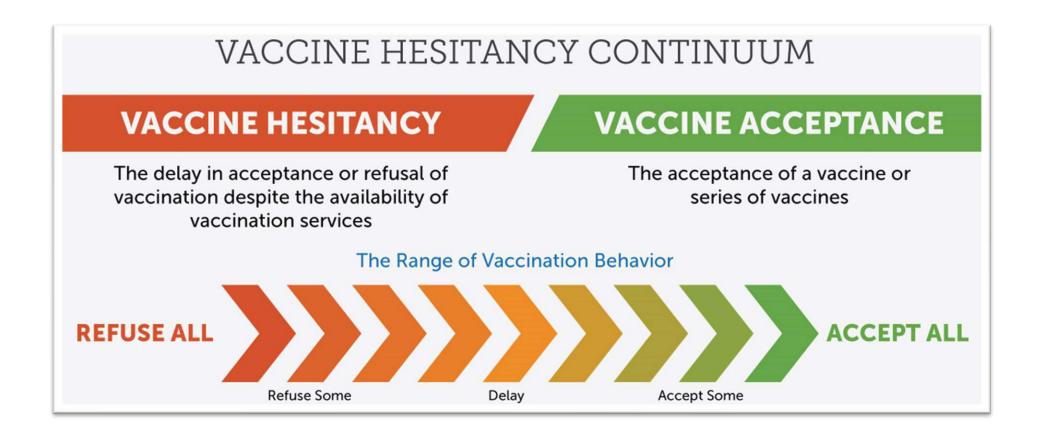
Our Mission

To make vaccines more accessible, enable innovation & expand immunization across the globe.

The reasons we see declining vaccine uptake in a given community or setting will vary; understanding and acting to address them is essential.

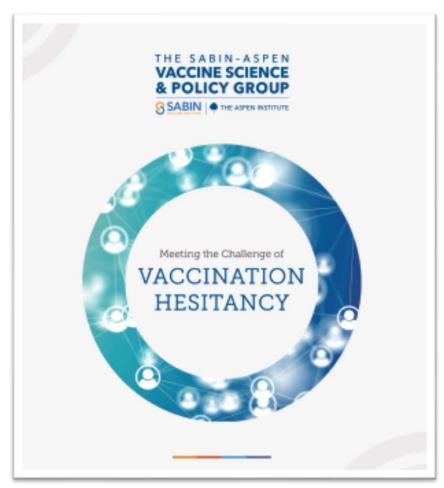


Vaccine hesitancy and acceptance occur along a continuum



Sabin and the Aspen Institute published a report in 2020 outlining ideas for meeting the challenge of vaccine hesitancy

- There is an urgent need to better understand the causes and dimensions of vaccine hesitancy
- Efforts needed to address hesitancy, even as efforts to understand it are incomplete
- Need to improve vaccination services and reduce access barriers
- Efforts to boost vaccination coverage must be coordinated
- A dedicated media strategy is needed, focused on role, impact of social media



Social and behavioral research can unlock new knowledge about the drivers of vaccine acceptance



Research grants explore such issues as impact of COVID-19 misinformation, vaccination decision-making pathways, and health worker perceptions

Findings to date include:

- Strong social networks have significant influence on decisions
- Community health workers with strong communications skills can increase vaccine acceptance
- Critical to engage all stakeholders involved in vaccination decisions when generating demand
- Vaccination program design and delivery should focus on trust, power, and social relations

Social media platforms hold great potential to influence vaccine knowledge, attitudes, and behaviors

Social media platforms are a key resources for individuals seeking information and support for vaccination decisions

Those who rely on social media for news may be more likely than traditional media consumers to be misinformed about the safety of vaccines







A systematic literature review, to be published soon, focused on the impact of social media interventions on hesitancy

This review explored the impact on vaccine knowledge, vaccine attitudes, and vaccine behaviors.

Overall the existing body of literature indicates that social media interventions can have positive impact on all three.





Additional interviews with key informants highlighted challenges and opportunities



 Lack of systematic monitoring and surveillance of social media leaves countries unprepared to address misinformation



 Industry and government policy related to vaccine content could take a more active role to stop misinformation and disinformation



 Usage of social media campaigns may be useful in countering vaccine misinformation or improving vaccine attitudes



• Limited ability to measure and evaluate how well social media campaigns are working to reduce vaccine hesitancy



• Future research agendas related to social media and vaccine hesitancy should leverage influencers and message testing

Recommendations to strengthen vaccine acceptance

- Assess and understand local drivers of hesitancy; identify partners with capacity to address them, including through social media platforms
- Equip health providers, who are often among most trusted sources of information, to communicate effectively about vaccines and immunizations to their clients and other stakeholders
- Include community members in vaccination program, policy design; understand the "vaccination decision-making pathway" and engage all key influencers when generating demand for vaccines
- Include targeted social media strategies in immunization planning (new introductions, campaigns, and routine)
- Maintain the availability of routine health services, including immunization, even during COVID-19 response



THANK YOU

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Leveraging immunization coalitions to unify the pro-vaccine message

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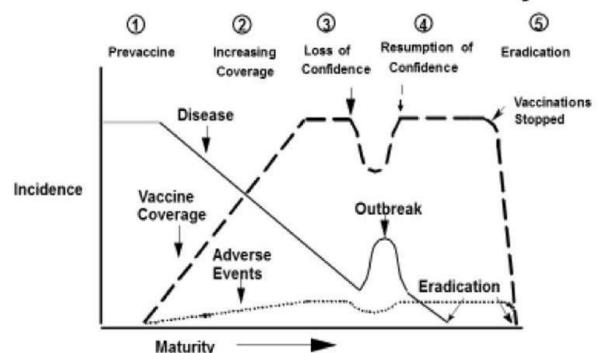
- Increase in vaccine hesitancy in the United States
- The importance of risk communications and unified messaging
- The best partnerships are immunization coalitions
- Leveraging the coalitions to deliver unified vaccine confidence messaging



We Are A Victim of Our Own Success...

- Good success in our pediatric immunization programs has led to record low levels of vaccine preventable diseases (VPDs)
- In the absence of disease, the perception (and acceptance) of risk changes

Evolution of Immunization Program and Prominence of Vaccine Safety





We Are A Victim of Our Own Success...

- There comes a tipping point when patient concerns about adverse events outweigh what they perceive as benefits from vaccines
- Those concerns will ultimately lead to public detriment
- That time is NOW!
 - 46% of adults are unsure that vaccines do not cause autism¹
 - 1 in 4 parents believe that vaccines can cause autism²
 - 1 in 6 caregivers of children with ASD believed that vaccines were the cause³
- In many ways, the science is less relevant and risk communication is paramount

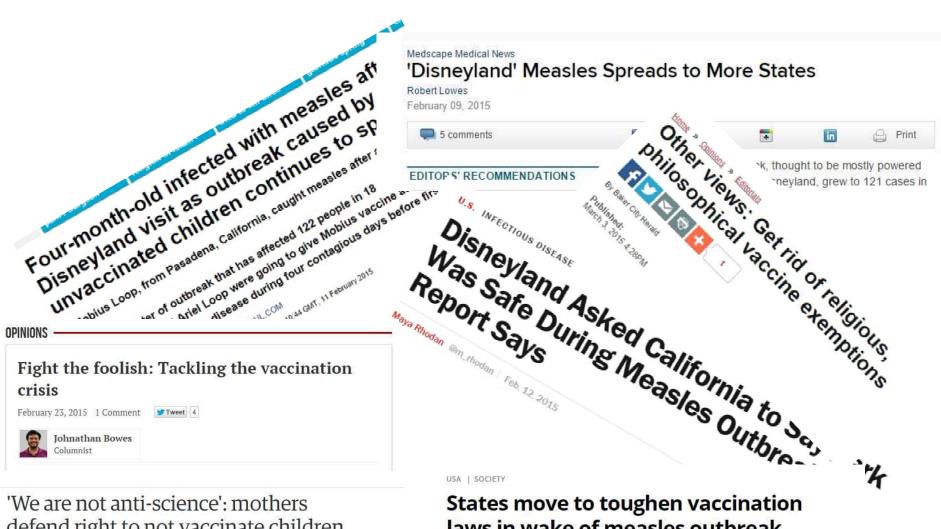


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^{5.} Fombonne, E. et al. Vaccine 2020: https://doi.org/10.1016/j.vaccine.2019.12.026

Changing landscape of public opinion



defend right to not vaccinate children

As some anti-vaccine parents fear recent measles backlash, a handful of mothers explain why they remain skeptical and unmoved by criticism

laws in wake of measles outbreak

At least 14 states have introduced bills that would make it harder for parents to gain vaccination exemptions. But one expert says the proposed laws focus on the wrong

By Amanda Paulson, Staff writer V MARCH 3, 2015



Clusters of vulnerability!

Measles outbreak highlights the importance of adult immunization

By ROSANNA XIA AND RONG-GONG LIN II

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easles was once considered a childhood illness, spreading rapidly acros playgrounds and parks.

But the national measles outbreak that began two months ago at Disneyland has sl side of the highly infectious disease - that it is a danger to people of all ages.

The Washington Post

To Your Health

Adults are skipping their vaccinations, too — for lots of

By Lenny Bernstein February 5

Measles danger to adults overlooked

By Anna Edney, Bloomberg News Bloomberg

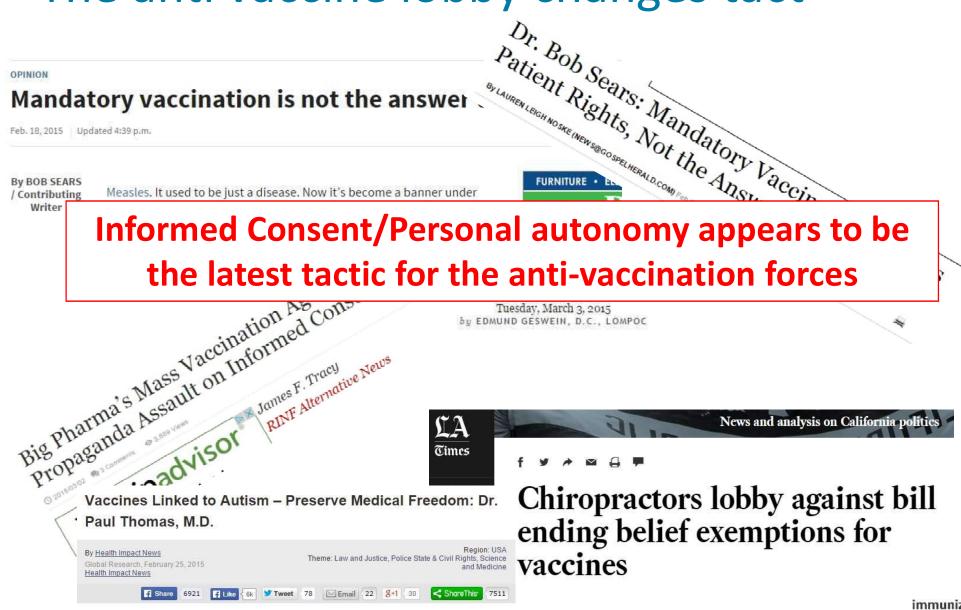
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 $ASHINGTON-The\ debate\ spurred\ by\ a\ measles\ outbreak\ linked\ to\ Disneyland\ over\ whether\ to$ vaccinate children for infectious diseases has overshadowed another vulnerable population: grown-ups.

More than half of the cases in the measles outbreak in California, which started in December at Disneyland and Disney California Adventure Park, have been adults, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.



The anti vaccine lobby changes tact



So, here's where we are

- Vaccines are safe and effective
- Vaccination is the social norm
 - This fact should be communicated nationally
- Work to understand specific reasons for concern at a local level and address concerns locally
- Most patients/parents do vaccinate. This majority should be supported and when supported they can be powerful advocates in their communities
- Methods to support providers to engage in conversations with patients/parents about vaccination are critical (strategies and reimbursement for time)
- Best practices should be collected and shared
- Messaging and messages matter
 - Narratives are powerful tools to communicate
 - Communicating the risks of not vaccinating is important



The Powerful Narrative

- Story telling is fundamental
 - Remember a story can be inaccurate and still change minds, and a story can be non factual and still move people...
 - This can be very difficult for researchers, public health officials, medical professionals to accept...
 - Denying this by trying to separate "authoritative sources" from "less credible" content, like stories breeds skepticism in the web
 - Need to propel our own narrative strongly



Voices for Vaccines is the pro-vaccine community's response

Voices for Vaccines

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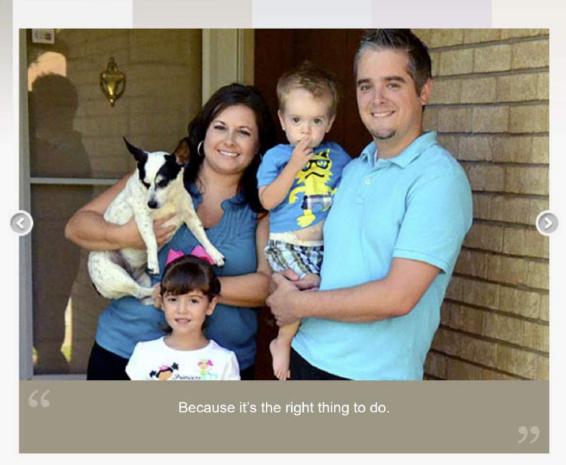
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PARENTS SPEAKING UP FOR IMMUNIZATION

Pro-Child. Pro-Community. Pro-Vaccine.

Voices for Vaccines (VFV) is a parent-driven organization supported by scientists, doctors, and public health officials that provides parents clear, science-based information about vaccines and vaccine-preventable disease, as well as an opportunity to join the national discussion about the importance of on-time vaccination.

Find out More



https://www.voicesforvaccines.org/





The role of partnerships especially organized as a coalition

- Partnerships allow for coalescing of ideas and actions
- Organizing partners into a cohesive structure is one way to align
- What is a coalition then?
 - A coalition is a group of individuals or organizations whose members agree to work together to achieve a common goal
 - Members commit to an agreed-on purpose and shared decisionmaking to influence an external institution or target
 - Each member organization maintains its own autonomy



IZ Coalitions form in response to urgent events (vaccine hesitancy?), or low coverage

Supply triggers



US: Vaccine supply shortage in 2000

→ Triggered CDC and American Medical Association to form a coalition



AU: Media scare news in 1990/1991 led to sudden surge in demand leading to supply shortage

→ Triggered creation of Influenza Specialist Group…which became the Immunisation Coalition in 2016

VCR triggers



US: Low VCR in SE Asian refugees in local geography

→ Motivated local grass roots community leaders to work together improve VCR...becoming the genesis of IAC



CA: Low VCR in the older population in the 1980s despite public immunization funding in place



→ Motivated Ontario Lung Association to partner with a manufacturer on local public awareness and HCP education campaigns that were expanded geographically due to success, setting stage for coalition formation

PO: Consecutive VCR decline from 2005 – 2012 including years of Avian flu and Swine flu along with lack of reimbursement and loss of public/HCP confidence in flu vaccine

→ Prompted an NGO to lead coalition formation efforts in 2012

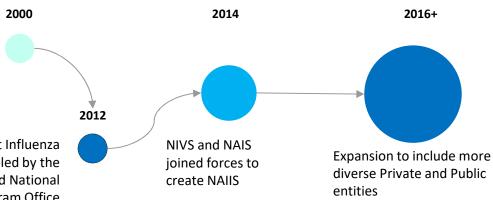
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Specific development pathways for each organization



National Influenza Vaccine Summit (NIVS) created by American Medical Association (AMA) & CDC to address supply issues

National Adult Influenza
Summit (NAIS) co-led by the
AMA, CDC and National
Vaccine Program Office
(NVPO) to be a more longterm coalition



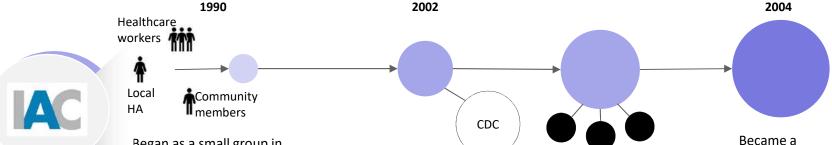
Today

- 700 partners, representing more than 130 public and private organizations
- professionals from the:

 O Healthcare industry

Participants include

- o Public health sector
- OPrivate medical sectors
- Vaccine manufacturers and distributors
- Consumers
- ○Others



Began as a small group in St. Paul, Minnesota to address lack of hep B screening and vaccination among Southeast Asian refugees in the community

- They were originally called the Hepatitis B Coalition of Minnesota.
- Expanded their mission to address general lack of vaccination as well as their geographical reach
- In1995, they changed their name to the Immunization Action Coalition. Shortly thereafter, continuous funding from CDC begins

Continued to expand their network to include a wider and more national net of stakeholders

nationally
recognized NGO
that also manages
the network of US
coalitions working
on education, as
well as public
policy

Today

- Two major websites serve an average of 30,000 visits per day
- Weekly email newsletter sent to more than 50,000 optin subscribers
- In 2017, 4.4 million copies of IAC's 200 English language educational pieces and 100 translation versions were downloaded from IAC's website

Graphics courtesy of Parallax LSC

Coalition missions tend to focus on awareness, education, and programs that support coverage improvements of approved, recommended vaccinations





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- Read our publications!
 - http://www.immunize.org/publications/
- Visit our websites!
 - www.immunize.org
 - www.vaccineinformation.org
 - www.standingorders.org
 - www.izcoalitions.org
 - www.izsummitpartners.org (Summit)
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