



# Rise to Immunize™ Monthly Webinar

Coadministration of COVID-19 and Routine Vaccinations

Featuring Dr. Jon McCullers



# Today's Agenda

#### **Campaign Updates**



- Zoom Events platform
- Data Submission
- Enrollment Update
- Resource of the Month
- Annual Conference 2022

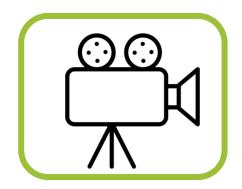
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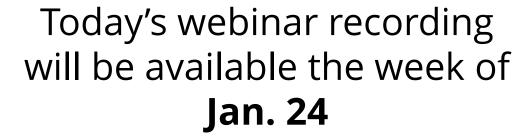
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#### **Q&A Session**









- Will be sent via email
- Will be available on website

(RiseToImmunize.org → "Resources" → "Webinars")



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 Questions will be answered at the end of the presentation





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## Data Submission





RiseToImmunize.org → "Measurements" → "Data Submission"

Reminder: First Data Report due Feb. 15

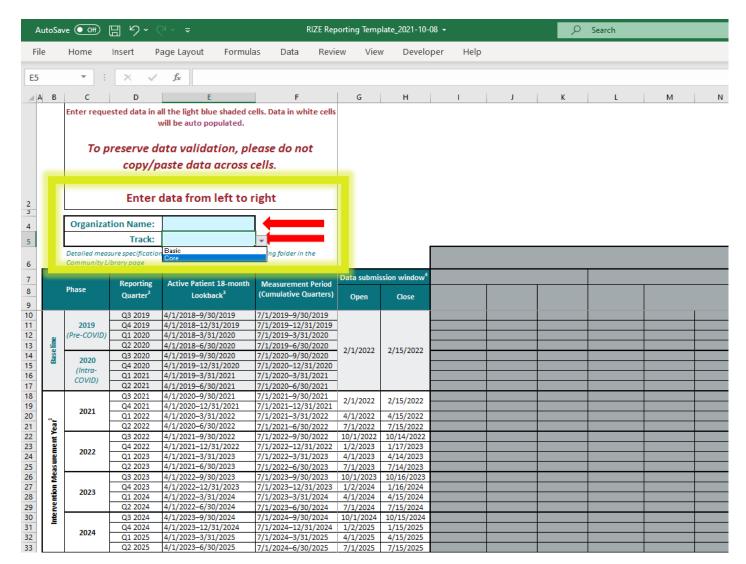


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#### Social Media Toolkit

Rise to Immunize™ Participating Groups

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#### 2022 AMGA AMGA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

#### **Hear from featured keynotes, including:**

LAS VEGAS March 9-12, 2022





**Guy Kawasaki** 

Chief Evangelist at Canva; Former Brand Ambassador for Mercedes-Benz; and Former Chief Evangelist at Apple



**Robyn Benincasa** 

World Champion Eco-Challenge Adventure Racer, and New York Times **Bestselling Author** 



**Gen. Stanley McChrystal** 

Bestselling Author of *Team* of Teams and Risk: A User's Guide: Co-founder of the McChrystal Group; Former Commander of U.S. and International Forces in Afghanistan



Craig E. Samitt, M.D., M.B.A.

Founder and CEO, ITO Advisors, LLC; Former President & CFO of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota

The Dr. Scott Hayworth and the Honorable Dr. Nan Hayworth Lecture

## Today's Speaker





#### Jon McCullers, M.D.

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# Countering Vaccine Hesitancy: Co-administration of Routine Adult Immunizations with the COVID-19 Vaccine

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University of Tennessee Health Science Center College of Medicine
Pediatrician-in-Chief
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On behalf of the AMGA Rise to Immunize TM Program

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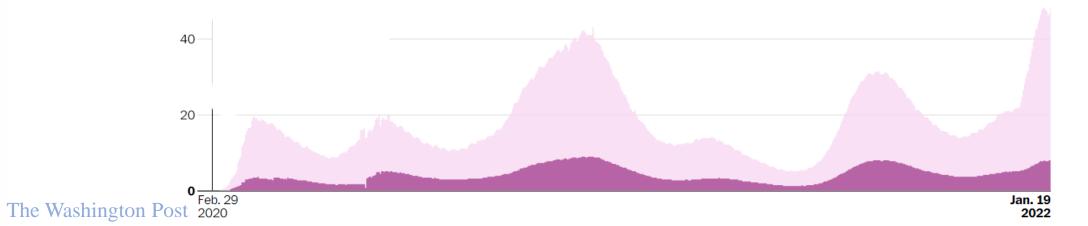
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#### Reported covid-19 hospitalizations per 100,000 residents

■ Currently hospitalized ■ Filled ICU beds

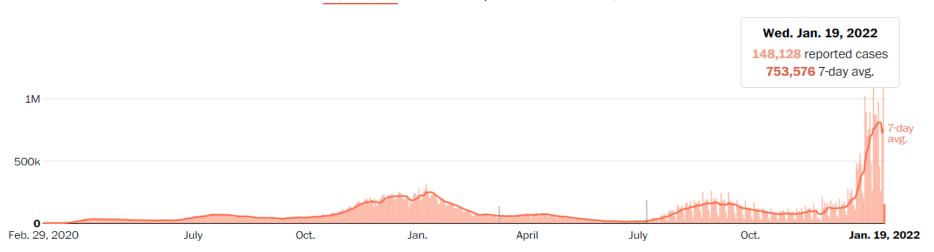


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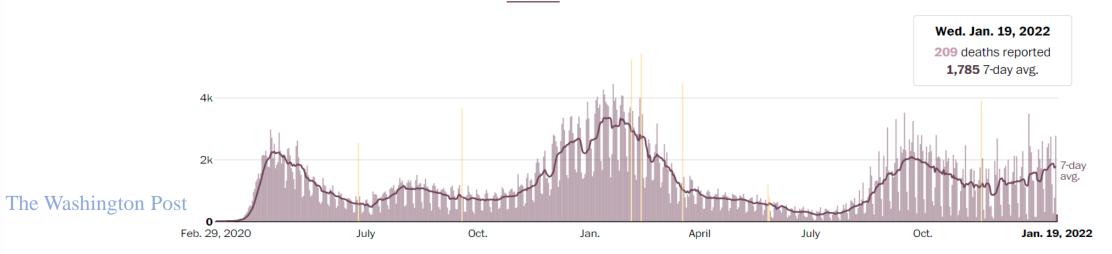
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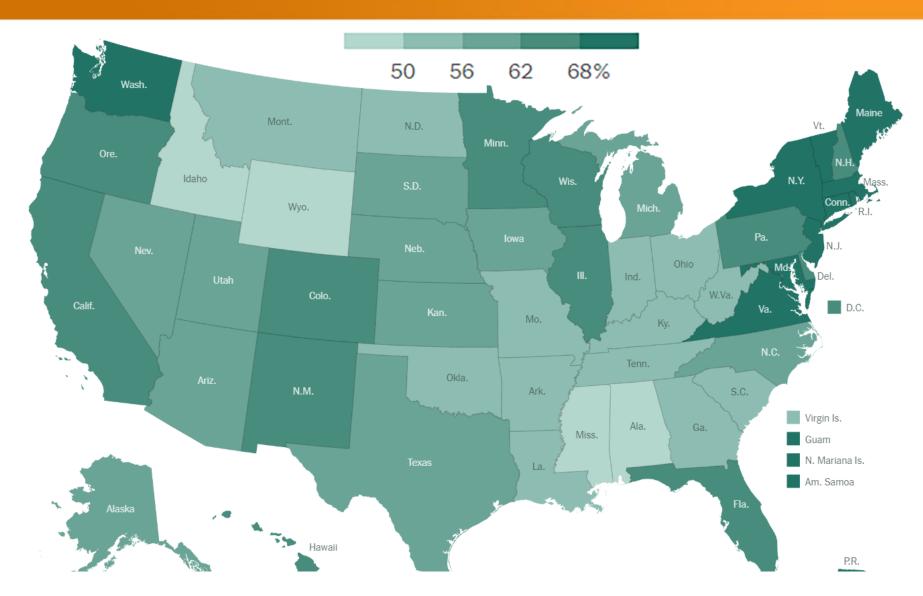
#### New deaths reported per day

At least 851,267 have been reported since Feb. 29, 2020.



## **Fully Vaccinated by State**





US data:

Fully vaccinated 62% of eligible

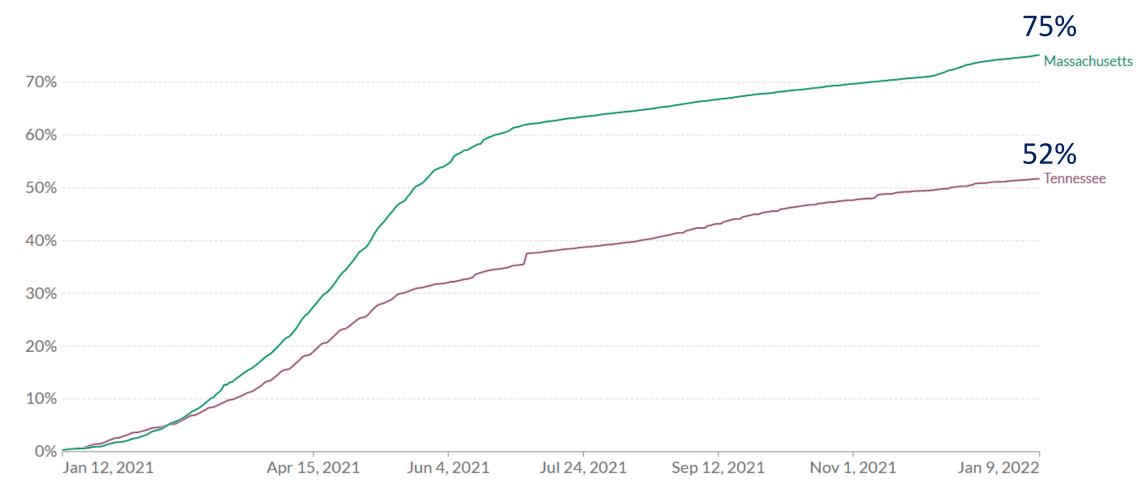
Boosted 24% of eligible

## **Fully vaccinated - disparities**



#### US: Share of the population fully vaccinated against COVID-19

Share of the total population that have received all doses prescribed by the vaccination protocol.

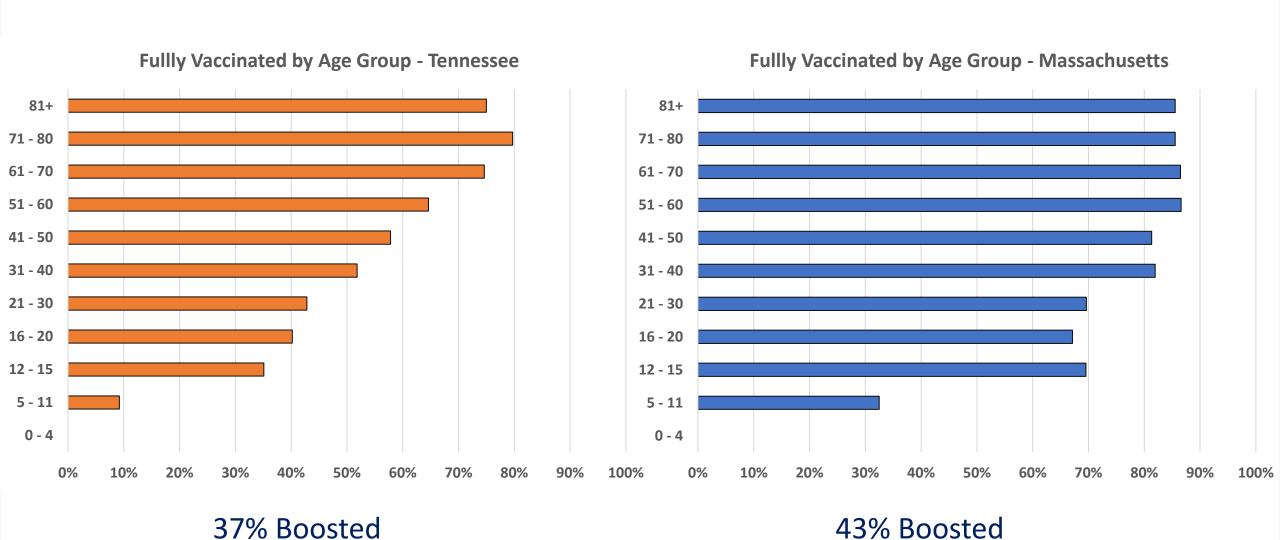


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## Vaccine uptake by age

**CDC** 





#### **COVID-19 Vaccines**



#### mRNA Vaccines



Pfizer Moderna

#### Adenovirusvectored Vaccine



Janssen (Johnson & Johnson)

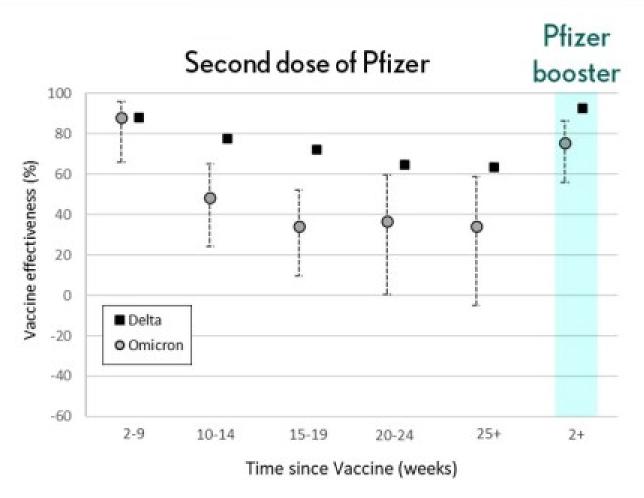
#### **Protein Vaccine**



**Novavax** 

#### Effectiveness vs. Omicron





Effectiveness vs. symptomatic infection

| 1 | Dose | 52%          |
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## **History of Vaccine Refusal**



Early 19<sup>th</sup> century – anti-vaccine societies form in opposition to Jenner's cowpox vaccine

#### Vaccine Resistance



Pamphlet circulated by anti-vaccine societies in response to the Jennerian cowpox vaccine against smallpox



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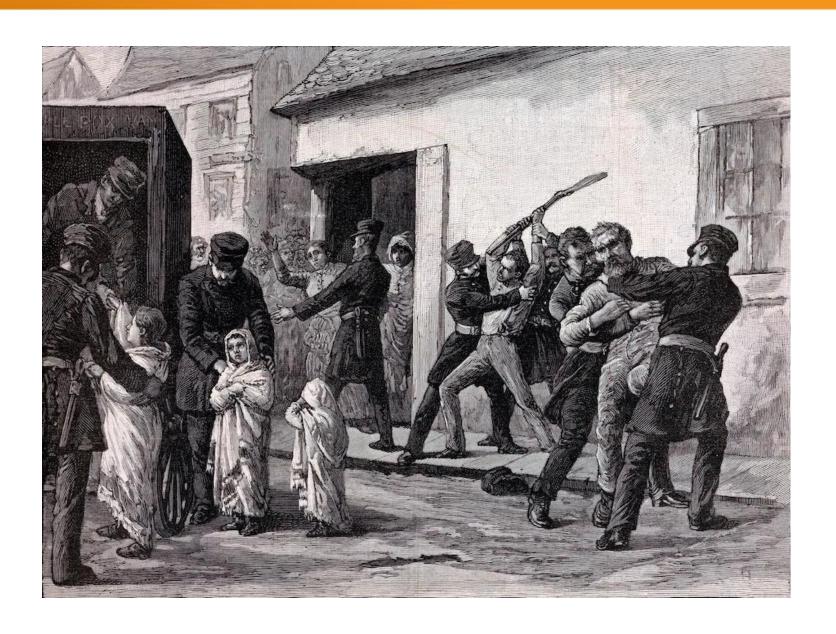
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#### **Vaccine Resistance**

**UTHSC** 

In 1885 rioters in
Montreal protested
mandatory smallpox
vaccination by
storming the health
department and City
Hall and burning
them to the ground



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1905 – Supreme Court decision upheld State's right to mandate vaccination as a public health tool

1998 – Wakefield Hoax crystallizes vaccine opposition under a single narrative – that vaccines cause unsuspected, long-term damage that has been missed by scientists

## **Vaccine Hesitancy**



2004 – Institute of Medicine issues a report debunking Wakefield Hoax and declares vaccines safe

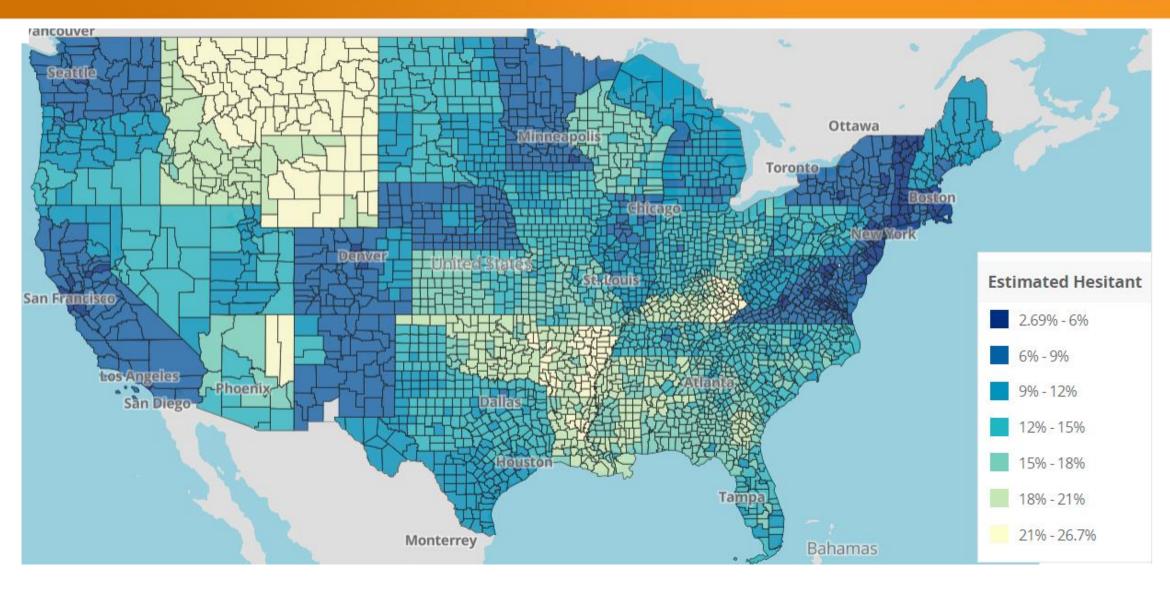
Last 15 years – groups aimed at serious vaccine opposition splinter without a central platform, leading to plethora of new conspiracy theories

Last 10 years – social media amplifies minor theories in small subsets of people; patients are regularly exposed to fringe theories

New term is coined – Vaccine Hesitancy – to describe groups of people who need education and reassurance to counter concern and confusion

#### **COVID Vaccine Hesitancy by County**





Hesitant = "probably not" or "definitely not" getting a vaccine

## **Top Reasons for Vaccine Hesitancy - US**



| Reasons | to | <u>refuse</u> | the | vaccine: |
|---------|----|---------------|-----|----------|
|         |    | _             | _   |          |

| Concerned about side effects     | 79% |
|----------------------------------|-----|
| Other reasons*                   | 49% |
| Think vaccines are not effective | 47% |
| Not concerned about becoming ill | 39% |
| Believes in a conspiracy theory  | 6%  |

#### Reasons to accept the vaccine:

| Personal protection | 94% |
|---------------------|-----|
| Protect family      | 92% |
| Protect community   | 89% |

<sup>\*</sup>Access was the most common other reason

### **Top Reasons for Vaccine Hesitancy - US**



| Reasons to refuse the vaccine:             |     |
|--|-----|
| Concerned about side effects               | 49% |
| Don't trust the government                 | 42% |
| Not concerned about becoming ill           | 38% |
| Worried about allergic reaction            | 24% |
| Think vaccines are not effective           | 22% |
| Worried it will impact my health condition | 12% |
| Doctor has not recommended                 | 9%  |
| Against religious beliefs                  | 8%  |
| Plan to be pregnant or breast-feeding      | 6%  |
| Other (cost, access)                       | 19% |

#### **New Forms of Vaccine Resistance**



Vaccine protests in the US, England, the Netherlands, Austria, and France





#### **Adult Vaccination Rates**



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> 18 years 50.2%

> 65 years 75.2%

**HPV** 

19-26 years (F) 58.3%

19-26 years (M) 26.3%

**Shingles** 

> 60 years 34.5%

Pneumococcal

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Tdap

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> 65 years 22.2%

#### CDC

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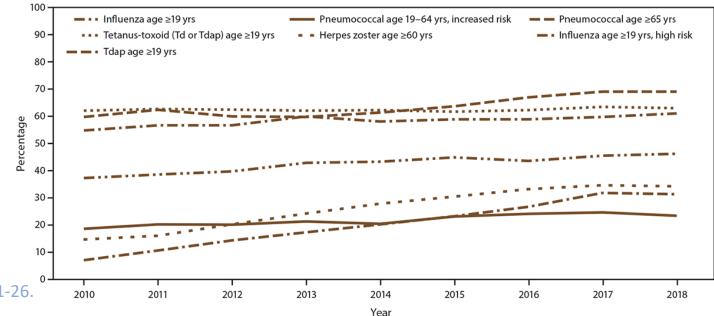
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#### **Countering Vaccine Hesitancy**



Ask for and listen to the patient's individual concerns, respecting the heterogeneity of opinions on this topic

Educate on their specific concerns

- Clearly state vaccines are safe and effective and thoroughly tested
- Address specific myths and misconceptions; tailor your message

Address their personal protection, and protection of family and other loved ones

Tell patients they need to receive the vaccine – physicians are the most trusted information source

Prepare your staff to answer questions

## **Countering Vaccine Hesitancy - SHARE**



- Share the tailored reasons why the recommended vaccine is right for the patient based on his or her age, health status, lifestyle, occupation, or other risk factors.
- •Highlight positive experiences with vaccines (personal or in the practice), as appropriate, to reinforce the benefits and strengthen confidence in vaccination.
- •Address patient questions and concerns about the vaccine, including side effects, safety, and vaccine effectiveness in plain and understandable language.
- •Remind patients that vaccines protect them and their loved ones from many common and serious diseases.
- Explain the potential costs of getting the disease, including serious health effects, time lost (missing work or family obligations), and financial costs

#### **Co-administration of Adult Vaccines**



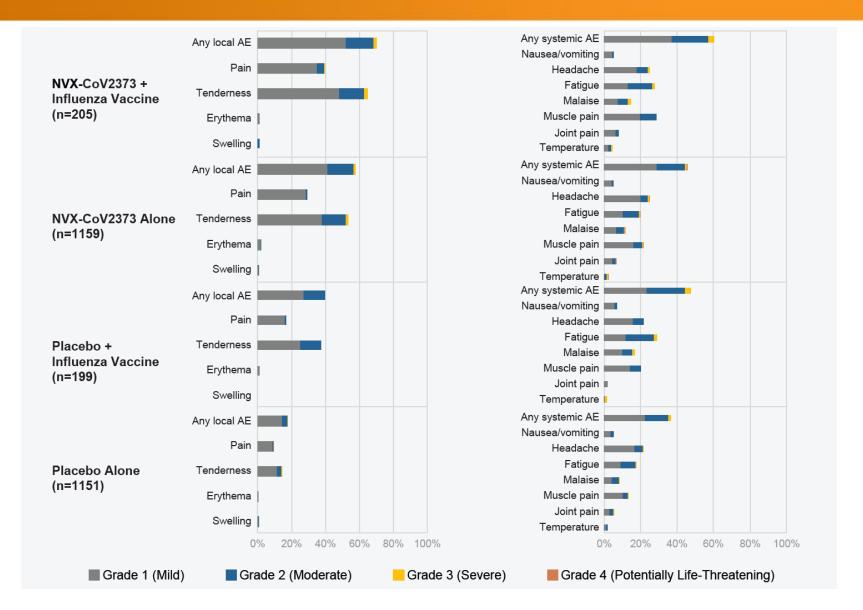
One method to improve uptake of adult vaccines is through coadministration with annual vaccines such as influenza or COVID

Great opportunity at present to "catch-up" many adults on important vaccines while they are getting the COVID vaccine

Most data on safety and efficacy of vaccine combinations and on effectiveness of this strategy comes from pediatric studies

## **COVID** and Flu Vaccines study





#### **Co-administration of COVID vaccines**



#### **CDC Statement:**

"COVID-19 vaccines may be administered without regard to timing of other vaccines.

This includes simultaneous administration of COVID-19 vaccine and other vaccines on the same day."

#### **AMA Statement:**

"COVID-19 vaccines may be administered without regard to timing of other vaccines. This means COVID-19 vaccines can be co-administered with the influenza vaccine during the same visit. Giving all vaccines for which a person is eligible at the same visit is a <u>best practice</u> as it increases the probability people will be up to date on recommended vaccines."

https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/clinical-considerations/covid-19-vaccinesus.html?CDC AA refVal=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cdc.gov%2Fvaccines%2Fcovid-19%2Finfo-by-product%2Fclinicalconsiderations.html#Coadministration

https://www.ama-assn.org/delivering-care/public-health/what-know-about-coadministration-flu-and-covid-19-vaccines

### Mis-conceptions



#### Some mis-conceptions about co-administration:

- Vaccines will interfere with each other
- Live virus vaccines must be given a month apart from each other and from other vaccines
- Side effects will be worse
- My immune system can't handle 2 or more vaccines at once

#### **Practical considerations**



#### Best practices for multiple injections:

- Label each syringe before preparing the vaccines
- Do not pull vaccines up together into the same syringe
- Separate injection sites by 1 inch or more if at same anatomic site (e.g., deltoid)
- Administer vaccines in different limbs if both are highly reactogenic (e.g., COVID and Tdap)
- If giving multiple vaccines, give them in ascending order of pain of injection (e.g., HPV last)

#### Conclusions



Vaccine hesitancy and refusal are deep-rooted issues in society at present

The underlying reasons are heterogeneous and complex

- Often rooted in exposure to fringe theories on social media
- Tend to cluster geographically in like-minded groups

Tailored messaging from medical personnel can make an impact on vaccine uptake

Co-administration of routine adult immunizations with COVID-19 vaccines is a great opportunity to improve uptake

- Expert opinion suggests this is safe and effective
- Strongly recommended by public health officials

## **Questions?**



## **Upcoming Webinar**



"Influenza 101"

Thursday, Feb. 17 at 2pm ET

Featuring Carrie Regnier, BSN, RN, M.P.H. of Norton Medical Group





