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Introduction

This is a draft resource guide of information from the chat records from the March 25th and March 26th MCCAW sessions on COVID-19. The information included here are primarily the questions asked and information on clinical trials. In the appendix are some organizational links which were provided.

Much of the information centered around COVID-19 vaccine questions. These questions ranged from vaccine dosage levels, vaccine development efficacy, to vaccine hoaxed. There were a number of resources that included links to vaccine clinical trials as well as programmatic links. The program links are in the appendices along with the programs.

It is hoped that this presentation is helpful and will be useful now and in the future.
COVID-19 Comorbidities, Complications and Treatments

QUESTION: Is there information available about SARS in patients who are on ARBs?

Links to responses:
- **ARBs**: https://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/high-blood-pressure/in-depth/angiotensin-ii-receptor-blockers/art-20045009
- **SARS**: https://www.bmj.com/content/368/bmj.m606/rr-10

Please talk more about the mental health challenges AAs [African Americans] are experiencing. All age levels from teens to older Americans.

Links to responses:
- **Black And African American Communities and Mental Health**: https://www.mhanational.org/issues/black-and-african-american-communities-and-mental-health

Question: What are the 2 medications that are effective for treating COVID-19??

Medical Expert Panelist

*Remdesivir has shown some efficacy for treatment in clinical trials, and IL-1 inhibitors (anakira—not directly shown on slide) showed some benefits well in clinical trials. Tocilizumab had limited positive effects in certain COVID patients with elevated very specific inflammation proteins.*

Links to responses:

Vaccine Information

Question: Why were they[vaccines] not approved before? if they have been studied?

Medical Expert on Panel

*Most of the mRNA companies were working on experimental cancer vaccines before the outbreak. There has never been a commercially viable way for them to scale up manufacturing until this event. The purpose of the research for mRNA vaccines was to have a...*
rapidly deployable vaccine that is both safe and effective. Moderna actually developed a Zika vaccine using this technology...but Zika retreated from the communication before they had a chance to complete the final study and then administer to the public.

Link to another response


Question: Will we need to take it [the vaccine] every year?

Links to responses:

- **Vaccines**: [https://www.vaccines.gov/diseases/covid/8-things](https://www.vaccines.gov/diseases/covid/8-things)

Question: What is the risk factor for contracting COVID-19 if you receive only one dose of an mRNA vaccine?

**Medical Expert Panelist**

- In order to be fully protected, it is recommended that recipients receive both doses of the mRNA vaccines. They were not studied as one dose.

Question: Is there a database that can be accessed for all symptoms experienced?


Question: What about the longterm side effects that we don't know about from getting the vaccine?

- **Possible Side Effects After Getting a COVID-19 Vaccine**

- **What Are the Side Effects of COVID-19 Vaccines?**
  [https://www.aarp.org/health/conditions-treatments/info-2020/coronavirus-vaccine-side-effects.html](https://www.aarp.org/health/conditions-treatments/info-2020/coronavirus-vaccine-side-effects.html)

**Testimonials**

_I took the JJ-1 Shot and had verymild side effects - just a little body ache and first night sniffles. I received my 2nd Pfizer last Monday and experienced no side effects.

I’m still experiencing musclesoreness in both arms after second Moderna vaccine, over a month later. is this an expected or common symptom?

I'm 7 weeks post my 2nd Pizershot... no side effects_

Question: Is it true you can be around people who have not been vaccinated after two weeks?
Medical Expert on Panel

There was a question about whether a vaccinated person could safely visit an unvaccinated person. In this case, the vaccinated person would have some protection, but the unvaccinated person would have some risk. Even though you are vaccinated you could still potentially have virus in your nose.

Another response


Question: What are the long-term side effects for pregnant women?

Links to responses:


Question: Does the current mRNA vaccines interact with the Host DNA?

Question: Are there studies that show that the J&J vaccine that utilizes Adenovirus DNA does not interact with HOST DNA?

Medical Expert on Panel

There is evidence to show very little interaction between vaccine DNA and host. Adenovirus vectors have also been used for decades. No issues.

Medical Expert Not on Panelist

Agree. The vaccine uses Ad26 to deliver a piece of the DNA, or genetic material, that is used to make the distinctive “spike” protein of the SARS-CoV-2 virus. While adenoviruses are a group of viruses that are relatively common, Ad26, which can cause cold symptoms and pink eye, has been modified for the vaccine so that it cannot replicate in the human body to cause illness. After a person receives this vaccine, the body temporarily makes the spike protein, which does not cause disease, but triggers the immune system to learn to react defensively, producing an immune response against SARS-CoV-2.

Medical Expert on Panel

Future vaccines will likely be evaluated using bridging to the immune assays that have been done in the earlier trials. Since the initial vaccines worked so well it is difficult to keep using placebo groups in the trials. The COVAX organization from WHO is organizing ways to deliver vaccines of different types around the world.

May I ask for help to convince people that COVID and the vaccine are not a hoax?

Medical Expert on Panel

Most people acknowledge that flu ad cold viruses exist; this is another version of a virus, that is now more dangerous and deadly.

Another response:

Community
We are still not reaching some of our most challenging populations—those in high risk, dense, low income communities—where misinformation and lack of information and trust continues to be a challenge.

Are any of you going into these communities and what is your success rate? Any suggestions? We have the vaccines, now how do we get them into the people? Are there any strategies and approaches being used for reaching out to the homebound?

Attendee
I've many many heard providers of color and community members share stories about the main reason for the high rates among communities of color is linked to systemic racism. People of color are not receiving the same treatment as our counterparts. This is true for chronic illness, cancer and Covid.

(I would love to connect with all of you — Dr. Leslie Cooper - aldenpk@aol.com, 202-441-1002)

Clinical Trial Information
Question: Are there clinical trials for people who have been vaccinated? If so how do you access those trials? I live in Oakland CA.

- There are observational studies for vaccinated folks. Here’s an example of one https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/effectiveness-research/protocols.html;
- Clinicaltrials.gov is a bit cumbersome to use but can be a tool to see if there are trials near you;
- The NIH is also partnering with CoVPN and they have a registry and can alert you when COVID-related trials open near you
  - https://www.coronaviruspreventionnetwork.org/understanding-clinical-studies/;
- Clinical trial in Atlanta: https://www.msm.edu/news-center/coronavirusadvisory/joincovidprevention.php
Hip Hop Public Health creates multi-media resources with an evidenced-based model... learn more about our resources!

There are 5 60-second videos... each speaking to a different component of vaccine literacy. Learn more about our research at https://hhph.org/research-2/

This is all about the symptoms after taking the video for the 2-shot vaccines. We are updating this video to add the 1-shot vaccine as well. This last video is about why it’s better to get the vaccine instead of Covid.

You will hear the same hook at the beginning to normalize getting the vaccine. Hhph.org/communityimmunity; You are all welcome to download and share all of the community Immunity resources:
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