HOW TO IDENTIFY AND REPORT MISLEADING AND FALSE INFORMATION

What kind of information might be misleading about the vaccines?

**STATISTICS ABOUT INJURIES OR DEATHS:** There is a lot of information floating around without context that might make you scared about the safety of the COVID-19 vaccines. It is often hard to figure out whether the information is accurate or whether it is significant. It is always important to remember that COVID-19 vaccines are safe.

**CONSPIRACIES THAT TRY TO BLAME SOMEONE:** There is reason to be suspicious about the legitimacy of online messages that try to blame powerful individuals, companies, countries, or political parties.

**SHOCKING AND GRAPHIC IMAGES AND STORIES:** By design, troubling images can scare us. Just because an image is shocking does not mean it represents the complete picture or that what happened to one person or that the same will happen to you.

**PREJUDICE, HATE, AND RELIGIOUS BELIEFS:** Many misleading messages shared online are designed to divide us. We should be skeptical of any messages that try to link the vaccine or the pandemic to racial or ethnic groups or link decisions about health and safety to your faith.

What do I do when I see or hear misleading information, and how do I report it?

1. **AVOID AMPLIFYING** or reinforcing misinformation or disinformation.
2. **RESPOND**, if possible, with correct and clear information.
3. **TAKE A SCREENSHOT** of the content, or note the accompanying rumor.
4. **SUBMIT** the misinformation or disinformation in any of the following ways:
   - **EMAIL** a screenshot/link/information to [naleo-ca@tips.junkipedia.org](mailto:naleo-ca@tips.junkipedia.org) (FOR CALIFORNIA) or [naleo-usa@tips.junkipedia.org](mailto:naleo-usa@tips.junkipedia.org) (ANYWHERE IN USA);
   - **TEXT** a screenshot/link/information to 818-873-5023; or Send a screenshot/link/information via **WHATSAPP** to 202-301-8878.
5. **BE PROUD** that you are engaging in civic health efforts! You are making the vaccination process more reassuring for your friends, family, and community.
FALSE NEWS TRAVELS FASTER THAN TRUTH: DO NOT SPREAD RUMORS.

Even if you hear something from family or friends, you should check all sources. Do not share news unless you are sure it is true.

Websites with accurate information include:

- **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**
- **California Department of Public Health**
- **California Coronavirus Response website** and toolkit
- **Your local health department**
- **Vaccine Finder** for clinics, pharmacies, and locations distributing COVID-19 vaccines across the United States

For more information, visit naleo.org/juntospodemos or call NALEO Educational Fund at 888-839-8682.