

## **Addressing Vaccine Hesitancy**

Why is vaccination good for you?

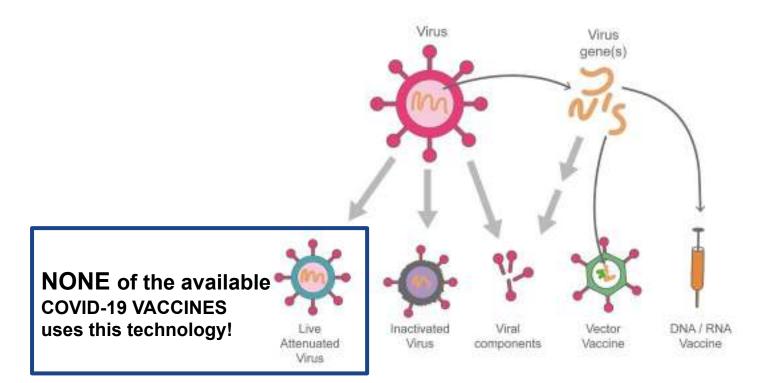
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# COVID-19 vaccines are safe, effective, and free.

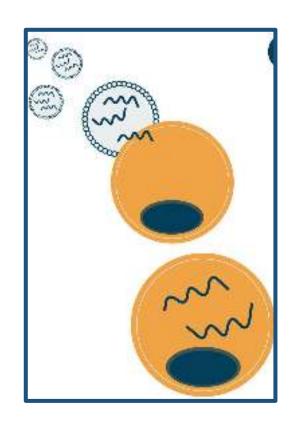


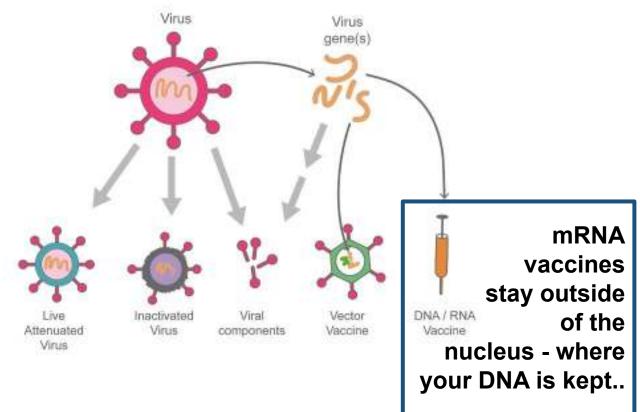
## None of the vaccines can cause COVID-19





## mRNA vaccines cannot alter your DNA.







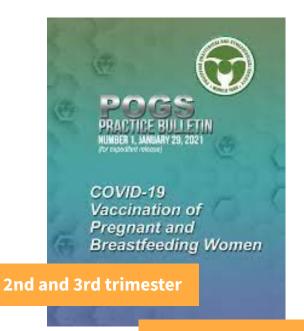
## Vaccines HAVE NOT caused deaths in PHL.

#### CAUSE OF REPORTED DEATHS AFTER THOROUGH INVESTIGATION BY MEDICAL AND SCIENTIFIC EXPERTS, THE CAUSE OF THE 24 DEATHS (REPORTED OUT OF THE ONE MILLION VACCINATED PEOPLE) ARE THE FOLLOWING: COVID-19 DEATHS REVIEW PENDING CARDIOVASCULAR / CEREBROVASCULAR **CAUSE OF** INFECTIOUS DISEASE DEATHS OTHER THAN COVID 19





# Vaccines HAVE NOT been linked to infertility or miscarriage.



except Gamaleya





## Vaccines don't contain RFID.





**1.4mm** 



#### **Approx. 2% of vaccinees REPORT adverse events.**

#### REPORTS OF SUSPECTED ADVERSE EVENTS TO COVID-19 VACCINES CURRENTLY IN USE

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MAMBER WACCIDATED WITH SPEED DEST*	131,023	0
COMPLYINE)	1.41%	3.47%
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SENIES REPORTS OTHER THAN ECATE	0.03%	0.04%
NO. OF REPORTS BATCHING BEATH	0.002%	0.003%

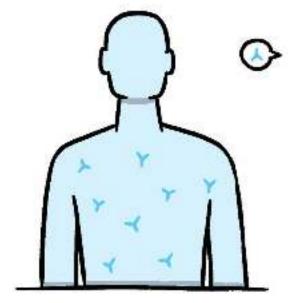
2 per 100 with reported\* AE

3 per 10,000 with reported\* SERIOUS AE





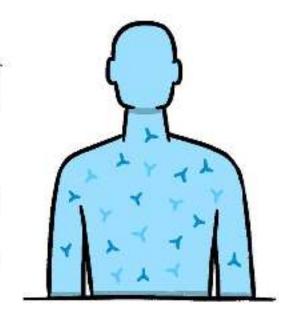
#### People who've had COVID-19 still need vaccination.



Natural Immunity

Immunity can weaken over time and be strengthened with vaccinations,

Even if a person has contracted and recovered from COVID-19, their immunity can be boosted by a vaccine.



Natural Immunity + Vaccine



## Vaccines will NOT make you ZOMBIES!



## to <u>address vaccine hesitancy</u> and <u>generate demand</u> for COVID-19 vaccines?

What is the government doing



While the country remains focused on reducing the spread of COVID-19, the **RESBAKUNA: Kasangga ng BIDA Campaign** aims to encourage Filipinos to get vaccinated for COVID-19 and assure them that the **vaccine** is an important ally in the fight against the coronavirus.

#### **Our Objectives**



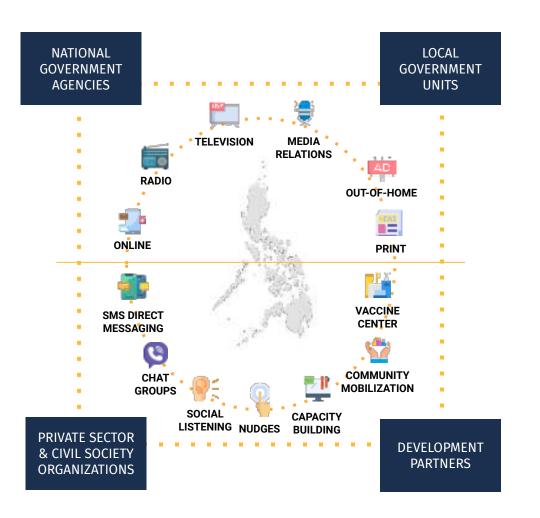
Improve vaccine willingness



Support full vaccine coverage & uptake



Continued compliance with MPHS



**RESBAKUNA** strives to reach every Filipino through a series of above-the-line communication activities and below-the-line community engagement in partnership with other agencies and partners.

#### Intervention Ladder for Vaccine Demand Generation

Least Restrictive

**Most Restrictive** 

#### **Persuasion**

- \* Health education campaigns
- \* Above-the-line ads, popular & mass media
- \* Local influencers

#### **Nudges**

- \* Opt-out policy & auto-masterlist
- \* Assisted registration
- \* Home visits
- \* Free transport

#### **Incentives**

- \* Cash lottery
- \* Food coupons
- \* Discounts

#### **Disincentives**

- \* Restrict movement
- \* Withhold benefits

Compulsion

\* Legislation









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## RESBAKUNA implemented an information campaign that seeks to **educate and motivate Filipinos** to get vaccinated.







Responsive digital and mass media campaign

**TV commercials** featuring popular Filipino influencers

Radio commercials providing informative prompts for getting vaccinated



## Strategic Partnerships with Key Stakeholders

Widened distribution and adaptation of relevant demand generation interventions through partner agencies























## Strategic Partnerships with Key Stakeholders

Philippine Disaster Resilience Foundation (PDRF) assisting the DOH by making online capacity-building modules available to local government units



The Asia Foundation (TAF) regularly sharing information on COVID-19 vaccines; including their community development/CSO partners

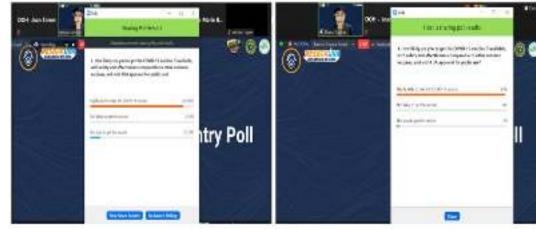


#### **Town Halls**

Virtual Town Halls have helped improve vaccine confidence through **direct interaction** of audiences with vaccine experts.

Over 100+ sessions with 44000+ participants

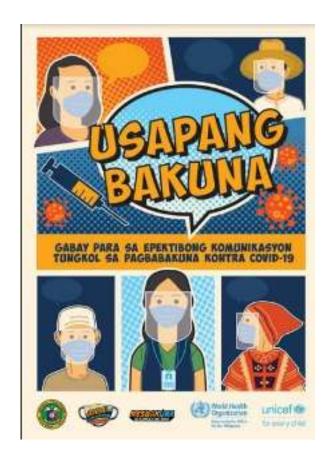




# Capacity Building Modules for Local Communicators

## Communication Guide for Community Frontliners

Co-developed by UNICEF and WHO Physical copies to be distributed to DILG and DSWD for their frontliners Soft copies now available through <a href="https://bit.ly/UsapTayoCOVIDVax">https://bit.ly/UsapTayoCOVIDVax</a>



## Local Health Systems Playbook



Guide for LGUs in setting up and adopting their own Demand Generation & Communications
Microplan

#### Local Health System Health Promotion Playbook

for COVID-19 Vaccine Demand Generation and Communications



## Strategic Partnerships with Key Stakeholders

**DOTR** tapping their transportation sector partners to support RESBAKUNA



**SYNGENTA** championing vaccines to their farmer communities (eg. text blasts, sharing RESBAKUNA materials, etc)



## Strategic Partnerships with Key Stakeholders

#### **DSWD**

- Develops and shares IEC materials on COVID-19 targeting beneficiaries
- Conducted a Training of Trainors with their regional information officers and other key stakeholders (>2,000 participants)
- Utilized the Family Development Sessions to provide information on COVID-19 vaccines to beneficiaries



## On-site Launches & Celebrity Vaccination

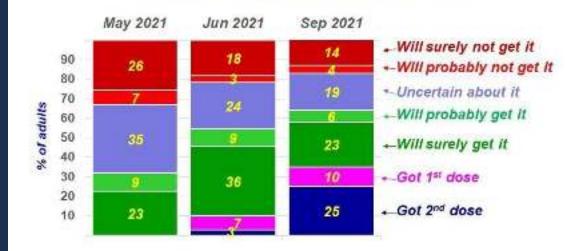






## Where are we now?

#### ADULT WILLINGNESS TO BE VACCINATED: PHILIPPINES, MAY 2021 TO SEP 2021



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SWS September 27-30, 2021 National Survey

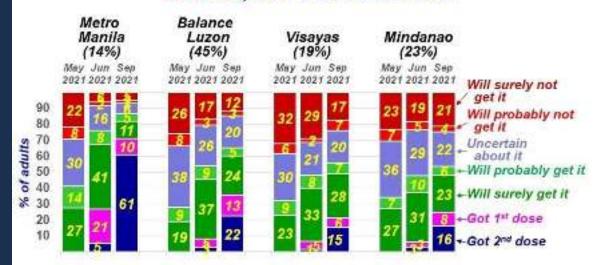
<u>Unwilling</u> declined from 33% to 21% to 18%

<u>Uncertain</u> declined from 35% to 24% to 19%

From 32% in May to 55% in June TO 64% in Sept (includes 35% vaccinated; since May % willing is 2X



#### ADULT WILLINGNESS TO BE VACCINATED: BY AREA, MAY 2021 TO SEP 2021



Note: Figures in parentheses are national proportions for September 2021. Blank spaces are non-responses. Figures may not add up due to rounding error.

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SWS September 27-30, 2021 National Survey

#### Willingess increase vs June

- NCR +11% from 76 to 87%
- Luzon +11%, from 54 to 65%
- Visayas +8%, from 48 to 56%
- Mindanao +6%, from 48 to 54%

## Unwilling by region NCR – 7%

- Luzon 15%
- Visayas 24%
- Mindanao 25%

#### Uncertain by region

NCR - 6%

- Luzon 20%
- Visayas 20%
- Mindanao 22%





1. CHINA

22 MILLION



2. INDIA

10 MILLION



3. USA

3.4 MILLION



4. PHILIPPINES

2.7 MILLION



5. BRAZIL

2.6 MILLION



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## **Moving Forward**



BB2 - 15-17 December 2021

Volunteer in national and local efforts to support vaccination, and be a vaccine champion.

Vaccine willingness is steadily increasing but disinformation continues to be rampant.

Be agents of accurate and timely information by going to trusted sources (doh.gov.ph/vaccines).



#### **Updates on COVID-19 Vaccines**

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RESOURCES FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS



Vaccines prevent severe hospitalization.

We should still **continue practicing the minimum public health standards** after vaccination.

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RESBAKUNA KASANGGA NG BIDA



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## Thank you!





# COVID-19 vaccines are <u>effective</u>.

## 14 diseases we've controlled: (thanks to vaccines)

Polio Tetanus Influenza Hepatitis B Hepatitis A Rubella Hib Measles
Whooping Cough
Pneumococcal Disease
Rotavirus
Mumps
Chickenpox

Let's add COVID-19 to the list.

Diptheria



# Vaccines are effective, and history provides this evidence.

We have controlled many diseases through the development of vaccines.

# COVID-19 vaccine benefits include

- Can prevent symptomatic infection
- Can prevent severe infection
- Can prevent transmission

More people vaccinated against COVID-19

**Greater protection for the population** 

## **Population protection means**



Return to social normalcy



Safe economic reopening



## **Ensuring COVID-19 vaccine safety**

COVID-19 vaccines underwent a **stringent evaluation process** by scientific and medical experts to ensure its safety.

## Who are the Expert Groups and what do they do?

Vaccine Expert Panel (VEP)

Should the government allow clinical trials? Should we consider it? Philippine Food and Drug Administration

Is it safe, efficacious?
Do benefits outweigh the risks?

Health
Technology
Assessment
Council (HTAC)

Should we buy it?

National Immunization Technical Advisory Group (NITAG)

How should it be delivered to the people?

National Adverse Events Following Immunization Committee (NAEFIC)

If there are adverse events, is it caused by the vaccine?



# Safety during and after vaccination is top priority.

All vaccinees are monitored for any adverse reactions or side effects after they get vaccinated.



# COVID-19 vaccines are <u>free</u>.



# **COVID-19 vaccines are provided for free.**

Vaccines in the country are received through:



Government procurement, or Through tripartite agreement between LGUs/private sector companies



# COVID-19 vaccines are <u>safe</u>.