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AHA, AMA, ANA Pledge Support for Safe, Transparent, Scientifically Sound COVID-19 Vaccines

In an [open letter](#) to the American public, the AHA, along with the American Medical Association and American Nurses Association, today affirmed their support for vaccines as a critical means for protecting individuals, communities and loved ones from COVID-19, the worst global health crisis in generations.

The organizations reaffirmed their long-standing commitment to the following guiding principles related to potential COVID-19 vaccines:

- **following the science** through support of the rigorous scientific and regulatory process by which COVID-19 vaccines are evaluated and may ultimately be authorized and recommended for use in the population;
- **protecting the public's health and safety** by establishing safe and effective processes for administering vaccines to all who are eligible and choose to get vaccinated; and
- **creating transparency** by making available critical information about vaccines as it is released, including benefits and risks, while also working to share plans for vaccinating communities nationwide.

Additionally, the organizations reiterated their ongoing request that the public take three critical, scientifically proven steps to prevent the spread of COVID-19: wearing face masks, maintaining physical distancing and washing hands.

Further Questions

If you have questions, please contact AHA at 800-424-4301.