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Image: Robert F. Kennedy Jr. at his home in Los Angeles on May 23. A portrait of his late father hangs on the wall behind him.

Robert F. Kennedy Jr. at his home in Los Angeles.

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Image: Robert F. Kennedy Jr. tosses treats to his dogs.

Kennedy shows his command of his dogs, who obediently sit at attention, waiting for a treat.

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Photo collage of an illustration of a doctor administering a vaccine to a child; a medical figure of the larynx, trachea and lungs; and Robert F. Kennedy with two of his children, including Robert Jr., in 1957.

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Image: Robert F. Kennedy Jr. hikes near his home in Los Angeles on May 23.

Kennedy's presidential run comes at a time when the country has been gripped by conspiracy theories - many of which he has helped spread.

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Photo collage of a newspaper headline and cover image of Robert F. Kennedy's assassination; the American flag-draped casket of President John F. Kennedy.

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Photo collage of Robert F. Kennedy holding a falcon in his youth; a clipping of the Declaration of Independence.

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Image (multi-image exposure): Robert F. Kennedy Jr. hikes near his home in Los Angeles on May 23.

Kennedy believes that a flu vaccine may have caused a disorder that affects his voice. The suspicion would make his anti-vaccine activism personal.

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Photo collage of an American flag; Robert F. Kennedy Jr. speaking on Capitol Hill; and an archival photo of a doctor administering a vaccine into a child's arm.

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Kennedy is a long-shot candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination. "Tell me something," he says. "Did you think Donald Trump would win?"

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