

Glossary

- Andrew Wakefield
 - Discredited academic and former physician who popularized the myth that vaccine causes autism
- COVID-19
 - The disease at the center of the COVID-19 Pandemic. Discovered in late 2019, this extremely infective virus was the source of many controversies and conspiracies.
- Disinformation
 - False information knowingly distributed, created for a political or personal agenda
- Dr. Fauci
 - The chief medical adviser to the President of the United States (from 2021-present). Targeted by many people who were against the quarantines and mask mandates.
- Fake news
 - Any news that contains misinformation. This term was popularized by former President Donald Trump, who ironically used it to describe accurate news more often than not.
- Fascism
 - Far right nationalist authoritarianism characterized by dictatorships and suppression of the opposition. Notably, does not include asking people to wear masks.
- Mainstream Media
 - Any of the large news corporations in the United States (from the perspective of the United States – the MSM is different in other countries).
- Misinformation
 - Information that is false, but not created with the intention of causing harm
- Pandemic
 - An outbreak of disease characterized by global spread and high transmission
- Vaccine Hesitancy
 - An unwillingness to get the vaccine at any point. Could turn into becoming accepting of the vaccine, or could lead to vaccine misinformation. See misinformation.