

**From:** Fauci, Anthony (NIH/NIAID) [E]  
**Sent:** Thu, 5 Mar 2020 02:36:30 +0000  
**To:** Rich Silverman  
**Subject:** RE: Coronavirus Question

Richard:

Right!! Even if there was no coronavirus threat, (b) (6)

Best regards,  
Tony

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**From:** Rich Silverman (b) (6)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 4, 2020 8:56 PM  
**To:** Fauci, Anthony (NIH/NIAID) [E] <(b) (6)>  
**Subject:** Coronavirus Question

Dear Dr. Fauci,

I apologize in advance for this email. I am *sure* you are too busy these days to answer coronavirus questions from the general public. However, you are the only individual I know of who can be trusted to speak intelligently about the pandemic.

I know there is no preventive vaccine or cure, and there probably won't be for quite some time- despite what our ersatz President says. But there is something I don't understand. Since the coronavirus causes pneumonia, wouldn't it be a good idea to vaccinate more of the general population with Pneumovax 23 or Prevnar 13? That certainly wouldn't prevent people from catching coronavirus, but perhaps the resulting pneumonia onsets might be a little weaker/short-lived? (b) (6)

I figured it couldn't hurt, right?

Bravo for your efforts to keep our population intelligently informed on this situation.

Sincerely  
Richard E. Silverman

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