

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Sun, 15 Mar 2020 15:08:54 -0400
To: Jon LaPook
Subject: Re: TIME SENSITIVE; from Jon LaPook to Tony Fauci

I would not use an age number, but if you had to I would say 70. I would say “serious” underlying condition. Not sure about ACE inhibitors.

On Mar 15, 2020, at 3:01 PM, Jon LaPook (b) (6) wrote:

Tony,
Since “elderly” means different things to different people (to me, it’s 10 years older than me – and I’m (b) (6), should I give a certain age after which people should voluntarily self-isolate now?
And for underlying conditions, should I say “serious underlying conditions” or leave it vague at “underlying medical conditions?” I think the more specific the better.
And, finally, I’m hearing that it’s puzzling that hypertension is such a risk factor and that perhaps people on ACE inhibitors are upregulating receptors for ACE2 in the lung. Any evidence of that? If so, maybe we should switch people off ACE inhibitors for now.
Thanks,
Jon

From: Fauci, Anthony (NIH/NIAID) [E] (b) (6) >
Sent: Sunday, March 15, 2020 2:46 PM
To: Jon LaPook (b) (6) >
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Jon:
Looks quite good. I suggest that you lean out there and explicitly say that the elderly and certainly those with underlying conditions should voluntarily self-isolate now.
Best regards,
Tony

From: Jon LaPook (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, March 15, 2020 2:20 PM
To: Fauci, Anthony (NIH/NIAID) [E] (b) (6) >
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Hi Tony,