

The Summit Area Indivisible Steering Committee's statement on science and vaccines.

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We believe in science and the promise it can bring to the health and prosperity of our citizens, communities and the world. We believe in scientists and health care professionals who have spent their entire lives (20, 30, 40+ years) studying, researching and providing solutions to health and environmental issues.

During the recent COVID-19 pandemic, we supported the work done by scientists, the FDA, the CDC and pharmaceutical companies in finding a vaccine as one of the tools in the toolkit to stop the spread of the virus. We understand that no vaccine is 100% effective, but the efficacy of the vaccines have proven to save lives and prevent hospitalizations.

We reject any and all conspiracy theories and misinformation propagated by politicians, TV personalities, and even fellow citizens who have been swayed by the fears this misinformation creates.

We believe that with freedom and liberty also comes responsibility. As a member of the USA community at large, it is our responsibility to do what we can to protect ourselves, our families and our communities. We, therefore, believe that the COVID-19 vaccines will protect us and our communities and will allow our economy and our lives to thrive once more.

Mandates can be a controversial issue, however, the facts show that it can help move people to get vaccinated. We, therefore, support the current mandates.

We will not tolerate misinformation about vaccines within the conversations members have on our SAI Facebook page or any other social media platform where SAI may be participating. In our mission statement, we make it very clear that we do not stand for "conspiracy theories" and we ask our members to be vigilant about fact based issues and will not propagate misinformation.