

# Barack Obama: ‘People are dying because of misinformation’ | Protocol

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Misinformation kills, Barack Obama says, and tech companies, users and lawmakers all have a responsibility to fix it.

“The very design of these platforms seems to be tilting us in the wrong direction,” Obama said in a speech at Stanford University Thursday. “And we’re seeing the results. The fact that scientists developed safe, effective vaccines in record time is an unbelievable achievement. Yet despite the fact that we know essentially clinically tested the vaccine on billions of people worldwide, around one in five Americans is still willing to put themselves at risk and put their families at risk, rather than get vaccinated. People are dying because of misinformation.”

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