

# Opinion: Vaccine passports are the next front in the pandemic culture wars | The Washington Post

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The first thing to know about vaccine passports is that they're not passports. They're more like certificates, likely emerging in the form of scannable smartphone codes, that declare one thing and only one thing about their bearer: that they have gotten stuck in the arm the requisite number of times.

The second thing to know about vaccine passports is that they don't even exist yet, at least not at any appreciable scale. The White House is working with private companies to develop standards for whatever products emerge, but the government isn't crafting a little blue book with an N95-clad eagle embossed in gold that all civilians must carry wherever they go.

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