

UK imams, influencers counter COVID vaccine misinformation | Al Jazeera

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Imams across the United Kingdom are helping a drive to dispel coronavirus misinformation, using Friday sermons and their influential standing within Muslim communities to argue that COVID-19 vaccines are safe.

Qari Asim, chairman of the Mosques and Imams National Advisory Board (MINAB) which is leading a campaign to reassure its faithful, is among those publicly advocating that the inoculations are compatible with Islamic practices.

"We are confident that the two vaccines that have been used in the UK, Oxford Astra-Zeneca and Pfizer, are permissible from an Islamic perspective," he told the AFP news agency.

"The hesitancy, the anxiety (and) concern is driven by misinformation, conspiracy theories, fake news and rumours."

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