

Vaccine misinformation: Why fake news affects women more | Marie Claire

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A University of Glasgow study suggests young people, women and people from Black, Pakistani and Bangladeshi communities are less likely to get the vaccine. But why?

Vaccine misinformation and rumours about the the so-called side effects of the Coronavirus vaccine are rife at current, with everything from supposed microchips, altered DNA states and even links between the Covid vaccine and fertility being thrown about.

Fake news seems to be spreading online about the vaccine faster than it was invented, with some going as far as to claim the vaccine is made from fetus tissue, according to BBC news. That's why we've spoken to Lydia Morrish, researcher and social media journalist at First Draft, an NGO non-profit organisation working to protect communities from misinformation.

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