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## The Life Insurance Council of New York responds to misinformation regarding COVID-19 vaccines and life insurance

Albany, NY (March 15, 2021) – Recently, false claims have been circulating on social media platforms including Twitter and Facebook that suggest receiving a COVID-19 vaccination could affect an individual's ability to obtain life insurance or existing policy benefits.

The Life Insurance Council of New York (LICONY) would like to reassure New Yorkers that receiving a COVID-19 vaccination has absolutely no bearing on a life insurer's decision to pay a claim or issue new coverage.

In fact, life insurers understand that vaccination is one of the most effective ways to protect yourself and others from the potential adverse health risks of contracting COVID-19.

Individuals who have questions about their coverage are encouraged to consult their policy and contact their insurer directly.

**About LICONY**: LICONY is the trade association representing the life insurance industry doing business in New York State. LICONY's 60 domestic and 21 nondomestic member companies together provide the vast majority of life, disability income, long-term care insurance and annuity benefits for New Yorkers.

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