

# COVID-19 SURVEY AMONG AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN

#### **PURPOSE**

The reason for this study is to gain insight and personal views or opinions through the lens of African American women arranging from the ages of 18-65 from Tennessee regarding COVID-19 vaccines, as well as their perspective on modifying the First Amendment for pandemics only.

#### **DEMOGRAPHIC**

The target demographic for this project are African American women between the ages of 18-65 from diverse social and economic backgrounds in the state of Tennessee.

# SURVIVING THROUGH A PANDEMIC; YOUNG AND READY- AT CHURCH WAITING FOR THE VACCINE





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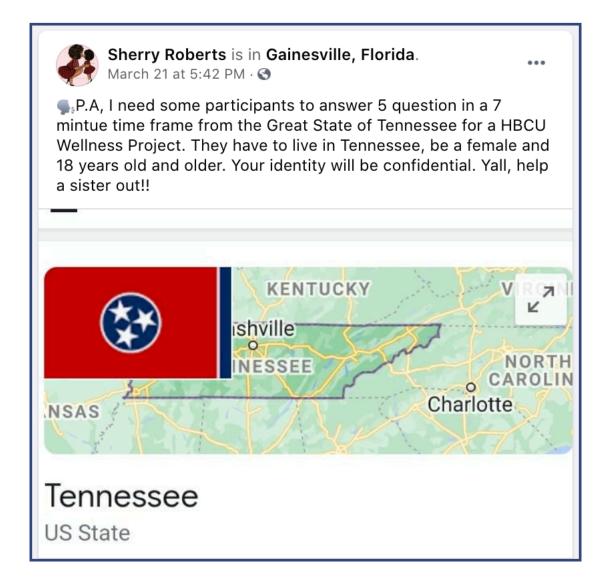
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### **METHODS**

To solicit participants for the "Photovoice", social media-Facebook and networking with family and friends were used to a acquire participants from Tennessee.

After consent was given, all 4 participants were recorded using Samsung Voice Recorder

and all pictures were capture from Facebook Messenger.



#### **OUTCOMES**

The outcomes of this project are as follows:

1) All 4 participants shared their heart felt opinions/views about the vaccines and the modification of the First Amendment for pandemic only.

2) Two out of Four women agreed the First Amendment should be modified for a pandemic only. Two out of four women received the vaccine series through their community church, the other 50% felt strongly about waiting it out to see the outcome of side effects from others that have taken the vaccines.

3) Each participants are from diverse communities in Tennessee.



## **STUDENT LESSONS LEARNED**

Lessons learned from this project are:

I learned that 50% of my participants felt strongly about the modification of the First Amendment for pandemics only. They feel they are their brothers keeper (they are willing to give up some liberties to protect all human beings when it comes to a health crises). We obey laws that force us to wear seat belts, helmets, adhere to speed limits, and reframe from drunk driving. These laws save millions of lives annually. A mask mandate, if adopted as law, can save additional lives as well. Perhaps the 1st Amendment would have to be modified to ensure life saving practices and not that the Government is restricting our personal freedoms.

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