Viewpoint: Just 12 people are responsible for 76% of Facebook vaccine misinformation. Should the 'Anti-Vaxxers Disinformation Dozen' be shut down?

Covid-19 has already killed millions, and millions more may die before we get it under control. The only realistic way to end the pandemic is through vaccination. Fortunately, we now have multiple highly effective vaccines, as I've written about several times in the past year. Unfortunately, a large segment of the population has been grievously misled, and many people say they will never get vaccinated.

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The good news is that we might actually be able to stop the anti-vaxxers. The <u>CCDH report on the Disinformation Dozen</u> shows that these 12 people, who collectively have <u>59 million followers</u>, are responsible for 73% of the anti-vax content on Facebook and 65% of anti-vaccine messages on other major platforms, including Twitter, Instagram, and YouTube. This in turn means that if the social media platforms will simply shut down their accounts (and other sites that they control, such as the misleadingly-named Children's Health Defense and National Vaccine Information Center), we will see a dramatic reduction in false vaccine information, virtually overnight.

So who are the Disinformation Dozen? Here they are:

- 1. Joseph Mercola
- 2. Robert F. Kennedy, Jr.
- 3. Ty and Charlene Bollinger
- 4. Sherri Tenpenny
- 5. Rizza Islam
- 6. Rashid Buttar
- 7. Erin Elizabeth
- 8. Sayer Ji
- 9. Kelly Brogan
- 10. Christiane Northrup
- 11. Ben Tapper
- 12. Kevin Jenkins

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