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### **AAAS Response to Coronavirus and U.S. Federal Government Communication**

“Trust during times of increased concern about public health is paramount. For more than 30 years, leaders at the National Institutes of Health, CDC and other federal government agencies have led our nation’s response to critical public health issues. We must ensure that informed perspectives from top U.S. public health experts are heard and shared. An overtly political response to coronavirus will not build public trust and poses serious risks to public health.”

— Sudip Parikh, chief executive officer, American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)

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