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**To:** Sarah DanikSarah.Danik@foxcarolina.com  
**Date:** 6/1/2018 3:22:21 PM  
**Subject:** Re: FOX Carolina - Medicare and gag orders at pharmacies

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11:45am at his store, if that works for you. I'm planning on 30 minutes. Thanks a lot

Danny

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**From:** Sarah Danik  
**Sent:** Friday, June 1, 2018 11:42 AM  
**To:** Danny Varat  
**Subject:** Re: FOX Carolina - Medicare and gag orders at pharmacies

Yes! That would be great!

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 1, 2018, at 10:58 AM, Danny Varat <DannyVarat@scstatehouse.gov> wrote:

Can we tentatively say 11:45 on Monday at his pharmacy? I can confirm by mid-afternoon. Thanks

DV

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**From:** Sarah Danik <Sarah.Danik@foxcarolina.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 31, 2018 6:17 PM  
**To:** Danny Varat  
**Subject:** RE: FOX Carolina - Medicare and gag orders at pharmacies

Thanks Danny! I hate to be a pain, but I anchor our 4pm show, so on Monday I just have to be back at the station around 3pm in Greenville. Thank you!

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**From:** Danny Varat [<mailto: DannyVarat@scstatehouse.gov>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 31, 2018 5:41 PM  
**To:** Sarah Danik <Sarah.Danik@foxcarolina.com>  
**Subject:** Fw: FOX Carolina - Medicare and gag orders at pharmacies

Sarah, hi. I'll talk to LG Bryant tomorrow about a time for Monday. I'll get back to you as soon as possible. Thanks

Danny Varat

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**From:** Page, Hank <hpage@aging.sc.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 31, 2018 5:07 PM  
**To:** Danny Varat  
**Subject:** Fwd: FOX Carolina - Medicare and gag orders at pharmacies

FYI

Hank Page  
State of South Carolina

Lieutenant Governor's Office on Aging

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From: Sarah Danik <[Sarah.Danik@foxcarolina.com](mailto:Sarah.Danik@foxcarolina.com)>  
Date: May 31, 2018 at 5:02:58 PM EDT  
To: "Page, Hank" <[hpage@aging.sc.gov](mailto:hpage@aging.sc.gov)>  
Subject: Re: FOX Carolina - Medicare and gag orders at pharmacies

Hi Hank!

No worries at all, I would love to, but I can't tomorrow. Would Monday morning work by any chance? And I know the Lt. Governor would be great to talk with, especially since he's a pharmacist!

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From: Page, Hank <[hpage@aging.sc.gov](mailto:hpage@aging.sc.gov)>  
Sent: Thursday, May 31, 2018 4:40:59 PM  
To: Sarah Danik  
Subject: RE: FOX Carolina - Medicare and gag orders at pharmacies

Sarah,

Today has been a crazy one – sorry for the delay. I think I may have what you're asking/looking for... as for someone to interview, would you at all be interested in speaking with the Lieutenant Governor tomorrow on camera? He will be in Anderson and is available before 10a or after 1p there (someone would have to travel there).

Let me know.

Thanks,

Hank Page  
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From: Sarah Danik [<mailto:Sarah.Danik@foxcarolina.com>]  
Sent: Thursday, May 31, 2018 11:10 AM  
To: Page, Hank <[hpage@aging.sc.gov](mailto:hpage@aging.sc.gov)>  
Subject: FOX Carolina - Medicare and gag orders at pharmacies

Hi Hank!

Great to talk with you - here is an article about the "gag orders" – I'm working on a consumer rights story, so people know about this and that they can speak up for a better price sometimes. I'm looking to see what the rules/laws are in South Carolina, and if this is something you talk to clients about when discussing Medicare.

Thank you!

<https://www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/2018/05/29/614556060/to-lower-your-medicare-drug-costs-ask-your-pharmacist-for-the-cash-price>

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