# Power of Attorney

I do not have the power to remove the Power of Attorney from the VA records.

Dear Randi Schmeling, ANP

I would have used secure messager to contact you but I believe it will take some time for the computer people to put your name in the "To" space.

I'm thrilled that you are my primary care provider here in Green Valley and that you are getting consults for me. It's life changing. Now that I'm getting out of the system in Prescott, and into the system at GV with you as my primary care provider, I'm concerned that if I lose you as my primary care provider, I'm out of the system. Do you have plans to retire or transfer anytime soon?

Before we talk about PTSD any more would you please look at my website <a href="http://www.followthetrails.com">http://www.followthetrails.com</a>?

Thank you

Anthony O'Connell 7637

anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com

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ANTHONY MINER OCONNELL 430 SOUTH VISTA DEL RIO REST VALLEY, ARIZONA 85614

ANTHONY MINER OCONNELL,

instea short note to let you know that one of the stool cards you returned was live for blood and you should have a colonoscopy to find out the source of bleeding. You have an appointment with me October 4th at 10:30 and we can issue then or you can come by the clinic since you do not have a phone and leave a message if you are agreeable and I will place the consult.

Sincerely, . .

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Gand Schmeling MS, RNP, ANP, BC

Signed by: /es/ Randi Schmeling, ANP Adult Nurse Practitioner 09/27/2012 14:36

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# Response to your hospital stay for colonoscopy question

Wed, Oct 10, 2012 at 7:01 PM

Joe, Rindone,

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ি apologize for not responding to your asking me if I was willing to do the 5 day hospital stay for the colonoscophy. ি was:

- (1) Waiting to get the results of my mammogram scheduled for October 12; if the lump is cancerous that would mean surgery and I could do a two surgeries for one hospital stay.
  - (2) I get aortic fibulations when I get anxious and the VA Hospital environment makes me anxious; I can count on aortic fibulations during my stay. Can I take Lorazepam during my hospital stay?

Anthony O'Connell 7637

Rindone, Joseph P. <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov>
To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Thu, Oct 11, 2012 at 8:22 AM

I don't see why not .... I am going to forward you message to your primary care provider

From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, October 10, 2012 7:02 PM

To: Rindone, Joseph P.

**Subject:** Response to your hospital stay for colonoscopy question

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\*\*Thony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: "Rindone, Joseph P." <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov>

Tue, Jan 15, 2013 at 7:26 AM

Reference Lorazepam during hospital stay

Hi Joe,

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My secure messaging doesn't work this morning (first time); so I can't contact my primary care provider, or the GI in Tucson, you're the only one I can contact.

go in to the Tucson VA today and I'm concerned that they might not allow me to take Lorazepam when stress triggers atrial fibulations. As I mentioned before, hospital environments trigger ptsd symptoms in me, and forazapam cures it, I hope they will allow me to use it, and not do electric shock or something else.

don't need a prescription in that I have enough Lorensunpam now. I'm writing you in case the hospital wants

somebody's permission for me to use it.

I had sharp heart pains Jan 13 and Jan 14 just thinking about going to the hospital and I took one .5 mg Lorazepam tablet yesterday and I haven't had any sharp heart pain since.

Anthony O'Connell 7637

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Rindone, Joseph P. <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov>

Tue, Jan 15, 2013 at 7:28 AM

I'm sure they will allow it Anthony ... it is a safe med

From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2013 7:26 AM

To: Rindone, Joseph P.

Subject: Fwd: Response to your hospital stay for colonoscopy question

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: "Rindone, Joseph P." <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov>

Tue, Jan 15, 2013 at 7:29 AM

That was quick, and thanks for the peace of mind

Sent:

10/15/2012 11:25 AM

From:

SCHMELING, RANDI

To:

OCONNELL, ANTHONY

Message ID#: 54803656

Subject:

General

General Inquiry

You can come by the clinic and schedule an appt whenever pharmacy wants your blood draw. You will need to be hospitalized for bridging for the colonoscopy. I understand per pharmacy that you want to wait until after the mammogram.

# **Previous Messages in Thread**

-----Original Message------Sent: 10/10/2012 02:48 PM

From: OCONNELL, ANTHONY To: \*\*GV SCHMELING PACT Subject: General Inquiry

Randi Schmeling,

Now I can communicate with you!

Did you get my 7 page hard copy message that I left with Sherry yesterday (Oct10)? One message shows that Joe Rindoni in Prescott can't schedule appointments at GV out patient. Is there any problem to arrange it for the last Friday of each month as Joe and I had been doing?

Thank you for arranging the mammogram consult for Oct 12; that lump is growing.

Anthony O'Connell 7637



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#### Blood draw scheduling info; Anthony OConnell 7637

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> 下o>"Rindone, Joseph P." <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov> Fri, Oct 19, 2012 at 7:51 PM

Joe Rindone,

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Based on the following message from my primary care provider, is it OK with you if I make an appointment at the Green Valley out patient clinic approximately every month and notify you after afterward; like we did it at the Tucson VA Clinic?

Randi Schmeling to Anthony OConnell 7637, Oct 15, 2012

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I will send a copy of this, my Oct 19 message to you, to my primary care provider Randi Schmeling via secure Airflessenger.

Anthony O'Connell 7637

PS My mammogram was normal

Rindone, Joseph P. <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov>
To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Tue, Oct 23, 2012 at 7:53 AM

I cannot schedule lab appointments at the satellite clinics, they will have to do it

From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Friday, October 19, 2012 7:51 PM

To: Rindone, Joseph P.

Subject: Blood draw scheduling info; Anthony OConnell 7637

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# I have a new primary care provider in Green Valley

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Tue, Jan 22, 2013 at 7:59 AM

To: Dr John Nanson <john.nanson@med.va.gov>

Cc: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Hi Dr Nanson,

Happy 2013.

Would you please tell the Blue Team that I that a new primary care provider, Randi Schmeling, at the out patient clinic in Green Valley? I received two notices from "Blue Teamlet - Nanson MD" that I should call them to make an appointment but I don't have a telephone to tell them this.

Thank you.

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Anthony O'Connell 7637





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From: SCHMELING,

**RANDI** 

To:

OCONNELL, ANTHONY

Message

Subject:

ID#:

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General

General Inquiry

not sure what I am supposed to phone you for. If about the colonoscopy; you need to contact the GI department.

## **Previous Messages in Thread**

-----Original Message-----

Sent: 01/21/2013 10:29 PM From: OCONNELL, ANTHONY To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

Subject: General Inquiry

Hi Randi,

I've been instructed to wait for your phone call at 3:30 pm tomorrow, Jan 22. Since I don't have a telephone would you please secure message me the information?

My stay at the VA Tucson hospital was wonderful; the people were great; they cured me of my previous anxiety about that environment. Thank you for making it happen.

I'm readjusting to warfarin, I took 10mg Jan 19, 10mg Jan 20, and 3mg on Jan 21. I am going to tell Joseph Rindoine in Presott that and follow his advice.

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Anthony O'Connell 7637

Sent:

03/13/2013 04:20 PM

From:

MULICK, LOURDES

To:

OCONNELL, ANTHONY

Message ID#: 92167690

Subject:

General

General Inquiry

Green Valley Phone number 520-399-2291

Thank you.

Lourdes Mulick RN, Green Valley VA Clinic

## **Previous Messages in Thread**

-----Original Message--------Sent: 03/13/2013 04:09 PM From: MULICK, LOURDES To: OCONNELL, ANTHONY Subject: General Inquiry

Mr. O'connell,

In the future please do not use secure messaging for your symptoms. You need to call GV clinic to discuss your symptoms.

Thank you. Lourdes Mulick, RN RN, Green Valley VA Clinic

-----Original Message-------Sent: 03/13/2013 08:13 AM From: OCONNELL, ANTHONY To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

Subject: General Inquiry

Hi,

Should I be concerned or am I just getting old?

For the past five nights or so I've woken up around 3 am with numbness in both arms.

At first I assumed it was because I had slept on my arm, but the feeling does not go away when I move my arms around, the numbness does not go away until I get out of bed and start my day.

I am slightly more physically unbalanced in a few instances, and have been dizzy in a few instances.

The only difference in my life has been an extra load of stress.

Anthony O'Connell 7637

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OCONNELL, ANTHONY [ SSN: 7637.

From: DOB: 10/25/1941 ]

To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

Message

ID#:

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Subject: General

Hello,

I'm sorry. I did not know that I should not describe non-urgent symptoms on secure messaging.

General Inquiry

I do not have a telephone.

Anthony O'Connell 7637

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In the future please do not use secure messaging for your symptoms. You need to call GV clinic @ 520-399-2291 for triage. Please provide contact phone number.

Thank you.

Lourdes Mulick RN, Green Valley VA Clinic 34× 61.

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#### blood draw Mar 15

27 messages

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: joseph.rindone@med.va.gov

Thu, Mar 21, 2013 at 8:19 AM

Joe,

I had at blood draw at the Tucson VA Mar 15.

Anthony O'Connell 7637

Rindone, Joseph P. <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov>
To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Thu, Mar 21, 2013 at 8:52 AM

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To: "Rindone, Joseph P." <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov>

Thu, Mar 21, 2013 at 9:37 AM

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I'll resume today the last recommended dosage until I hear differently from you.

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Rindone, Joseph P. < Joseph. Rindone@va.gov>

To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Thu, Mar 21, 2013 at 9:39 AM

Anthony, please take 6 mg daily for 3 days, then resume your usual dosage ... let me know when you have your next blood test, thanks

**From:** Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, March 21, 2013 9:38 AM

To: Rindone, Joseph P.

Subject: Re: blood draw Mar 15

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Thu, Mar 21, 2013 at 9:46 AM

Another option is to give you enoxaparin for 4 days .... Have you ever used enoxaparin? It is a form of lieparin, but can be done as an outpatient ... it is an injectable, like an insulin shot

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: "Rindone, Joseph P." <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov>

Thu, Mar 21, 2013 at 9:49 AM

OK, 6 mg for 3 days sounds good. How serious was that 1.1 INR? If something went wrong would I have felt it? Any tests I should take to see if something went wrong?

I'm trying to estimate how long I've not been taking warfarin; does 4 days or 18 days or 32 days fit? (my dispensers are for 2 weeks)..

Thank you for the monitoring.

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Rindone, Joseph P. <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov>
To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Thu, Mar 21, 2013 at 9:51 AM

An INR of 1.1 means you are not anticoagulated at all .... This does increase your chance of a stroke .... There is no other blood testing needed at this time

From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, March 21, 2013 9:49 AM

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Thu, Mar 21, 2013 at 9:52 AM

I've not taken enoxaparin before. Do you recommend it? If so, what do I do? [Quoted text hidden] 145 Rindone, Joseph P. <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov> Thu, Mar 21, 2013 at 9:56 AM To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> It is a blood thinner, will give you protection while the warfarin builds back up .... If you want to pursue this, give me a call and we can discuss .... It might be a good idea to use it ..... 928-717-7435 .... thanks Ant. From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com] <sup>aup</sup>**Sent:** Thursday, March 21, 2013 9:52 AM [Quoted text hidden] [Quoted text hidden] Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> Thu, Mar 21, 2013 at 9:58 AM To: "Rindone, Joseph P." < Joseph.Rindone@va.gov> don't have a telephone. Can you tell me using email? [Quoted text hidden] Rindone, Joseph P. <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov> Thu, Mar 21, 2013 at 9:59 AM To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> How much do you weigh Anthony? From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com] **Sent:** Thursday, March 21, 2013 9:58 AM [Quoted text hidden] [Quoted text hidden] Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> Thu, Mar 21, 2013 at 10:01 AM To: "Rindone, Joseph P." < Joseph. Rindone@va.gov> Ritweigh 215 pounds Td[Quoted text hidden] Rindone, Joseph P. <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov> Thu, Mar 21, 2013 at 10:07 AM To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> I can overnight mail the medicine to you and you can start it tomorrow and continue for 4 days The dose is 100 mg every 12 hours .... Each syringe contains 100 mg

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The drug is given in the belly area ... you swab the skin down with rubbing alcohol, then pinch some fatty Estissue in the belly area, this is where you give the shot, just in the fatty tissue just under the skin .... It is a short needle ... it is like an insulin shot

Is something you think you can handle? Most patients have no problem giving themselves the shot

From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, March 21, 2013 10:01 AM

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# Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Thu, Mar 21, 2013 at 10:15 AM

To: "Rindone, Joseph P." < Joseph.Rindone@va.gov>

Cool, especially since I don't have to travel anywhere. I want to do it.

Is it possible to send it without the requirement of me signing for it, especially signing in person? I ask this because I miss the deliverer 90% of the time and it turns into a big frustration.

Anthony O'Connell 439 South Vista Del Rio Green Valley, AZ 85614 [Quoted text hidden]

Rindone, Joseph P. <Joseph Rindone@va.gov> To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> Thu, Mar 21, 2013 at 10:21 AM

That is a problem, you have to sign for overnight mail drugs .... Sending by regular mail will take too long

From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

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் How specific can you estimate when the deliverer will arrive? I'll have to stand watch. UPS? Fedex? [Quoted text hidden]

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Can't tell you ..... meds go overnight by UPS .... I know at my house, they come by in the late afternoon, so they seem pretty predictable when they show up

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From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Thursday, March 21, 2013 10:42 AM

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Rindone, Joseph P. <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov>
To:: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Thu, Mar 21, 2013 at 11:00 AM

Anthony, just to reiterate our plan

Take warfarin 6 mg daily for 3 days, then resume your usual dose

When the enoxaparin shows up tomorrow, use every 12 hours (in addition to your warfarin) and continue for a local of 8 doses

Thanks

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From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, March 21, 2013 9:58 AM

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: "Rindone, Joseph P." <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov>

Thu, Mar 21, 2013 at 11:23 AM

Joe,

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My local UPS said they would do it and they told me the VA does do that. Cost me \$10 but it's worth it. Also, it would probably be delivered there quicker than to my house. Would you please have it sent to:

Anthony O'Connell %UPS store 성190 W. Continental Rd, Suite 216 영reen Valley, AZ 85622

Thank you
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Appointment

Inquiry

need to contact the clinic for appt. Paula is not a pcp and I do not diagnose nonurgent sx by email-you need appointment to be evaluated

## **Previous Messages in Thread**

-----Original Message-Sent: 03/23/2013 07:08 AM From: OCONNELL, ANTHONY

To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

Subject: Appointment Inquiry

This message is for my primary care provider Randi Schmeling.

I checked with Paula in Tucson who runs the my healthevet and she said that it was OK to use secure messaging to describe non-urgent symptoms but not urgent systems. Also, I can't call because I don't have a telephone.

May I make an appointment to see you? The numbness in my arms persists.

To my surprise my last INR was 1.1 because I made a mistake in filling my pill tray.

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Joe Rinedone in Prescott now has me on 6 mg Warfarin per day for the last three days and then I return to 3 mg per day> He also has me on the do it your self Enoxaparin sodium injections.

Anthony OConnell 7637



Anthony OConnell <anthonyminerocannell@gmall.com>

#### **Trouble**

3 messages

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: "Rindone, Joseph P." <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov>

Wed, Apr 3, 2013 at 3:37 PM

Joe,

Would you please try to find out if the Tucson VA will, or will not, monitor my INR? And if not, why not?

Do you have access to the INR results of my blood draw in Green Valley on March 28, 2013? I assume it goes to the same data base that you have been accessing?

I am sorry to have to ask for your help again.

Anthony O'Connell 7637

**Rindone, Joseph P.** <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov>
To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Thu, Apr 4, 2013 at 7:15 AM

Arthony, I will call them and get you set up ... your INR from March 28 is 2.2 which is fine .... Am I correct you do not have a phone?

From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, April 03, 2013 3:37 PM

**To:** Rindone, Joseph P. **Subject:** Trouble

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**Anthony OConnell** <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: "Rindone, Joseph P." <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov>

Thu, Apr 4, 2013 at 9:16 AM

, Joe,

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Your a life saver. Literally.

That's correct, I do not have a phone. If they don't want to use email they could use secure messaging in eVet or whatever it's called.

Anthony
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Enthosy OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@jmail.com>

# Respectfully request a decision on Tucson VA INR blood monitoring

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: sally.petty@med.va.gov

Wed, Apr 3, 2013 at 3:51 PM

Dear VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty,

i'm being treated wonderfully at the Green Valley Clinic, just wonderfully.

First like the waiting area with the quote from the "Patient Rights and Responsibilities" pamphlet on the wall and the new chair arrangement. The new line of chairs in the middle of the room makes it more relaxing, what some would call good Feng Shui.

Would you please find out if the Tucson VA will, or will not, do my INR blood monitoring, just like they do with the other veterans at the Green Valley Clinic, and if not, why not?

Thank you.

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Anthony O'Connell 7637

Anthony O'Connell
439 South Vista Del Rio
Green Valley, AZ 85614
(No phone)

PT ADVOCATE

This was written by an exceptionally competent volunteer at the Tucson VA Hospital.

I went to the Tucson VA Hospital to try to meet Chief Sally Petty. I showed this message to a volunteer and asked the volunteer where I could find Chief Sally Petty's Office. The volunteer called Chief Sally Petty and the Chief told her that I should see the patient Advocate. No wasted words, no confusion.





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ANTHONY [

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From:

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Appointment :

Subject:

**Appointment** 

Inquiry

Hi,

Has my April 5, 2013, appointment at 9:15 am been canceled because I had a blood draw on March 28? I will come in for it this morning unless I hear differently from you.

It would be good to see if the same kind of computer bug that makes information disappear as it did on March 28 occurs again.

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**SCHMELING** 

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ID#:

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Subject:

General

General Inquiry

Dear Randi Schmeling,

I contacted Joe Rindone and he didn't know anything about the new INR monitoring plan you told me about, ie., that he was supposed to monitor me. Please tell again me why I can't get monitored like any other veteran living in Green Valley.

I have no refills remaining on 9 of my 11 medicines and 1 refill remaining on the other 2. Would you please refill them?

Thank you.

Anthony O'Connell 7637

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04/11/2013 10:05 AM

From:

SCHMELING, RANDI

To:

OCONNELL, ANTHONY

Message ID#: 100543386

Subject:

General

Appointment Inquiry

yes; already passed date

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To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT
Subject: Appointment Inquiry

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#### Please renew my medicine

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: "Rindone, Joseph P." <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov>

Thu, Apr 11, 2013 at 5:26 AM

Joe.

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l get 7 of my medicines from Prescott. At this time 5 have 0 refills and 2 have have 1 refill remaining. Would you please renew them all?

Thank you

Anthony O'Connell 7637

Rindone, Joseph P. <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov>
To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
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Thu, Apr 11, 2013 at 7:55 AM

I cannot renew these since Prescott VA is no longer following you .... You need to contact Randi to have her renew all your prescriptions .... Sorry, those are the rules

From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, April 11, 2013 5:27 AM

To: Rindone, Joseph P.

Subject: Please renew my medicine

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: "Rindone, Joseph P." <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov>

Thu, Apr 11, 2013 at 8:05 AM

Dr Rindone,

Please monitor my INR

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OCONNELL, ANTHONY [ SSN: 7637,

From: DOB: 10/25/1941 ]

**To:** \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

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ID#: 100671642

Subject: General

General Inquiry

ANP Randi Schmeling,

Thank you for responding.

I do not understand your "Pharmacy is still working on a plan as they do not want to monitor since you do not have a phone. we are working on an alternate plan; for now Joe is monitoring. your meds are due to be sent in june and not due for refills until sept"

Dr Rindone messaged me this morning saying "I cannot renew these since Prescott VA is no longer following you? You need to contact Randi to have her renew all your prescriptions? Sorry, those are the rule".

Would you please explain why you say "your meds are due to be sent in june and not due for refills until sept" when I have 0 refills on 9 of my 11 medicines and 1 refill on the remaining 2 as of April 10? Are you looking at a different screen than I am on MyHealtheVet?

Please refill my prescriptions. Thank you.

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OCONNELL, ANTHONY [ SSN: 7637,

DOB: 10/25/1941 ]

To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

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From:

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Subject: General General Inquiry

ANP Randi Schmeling,

I don't understand why there is all this confusion.

Would you please explain the normal procedure used for monitoring veterans in Green Valley?

Thank you.

Anthony O'Connell 7637

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gr.call.com>

#### Medicines and monitor

1 message

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: sally.petty@med.va.gov

Fri, Apr 12, 2013 at 2:37 PM

VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty:

I used to be able to get my prescriptions renewed and I had a monitor for my Warfarin. And then there was a lot of confusion, and now I can't get my prescriptions renewed and I don't have a monitor for my Warfarin. Would you please tell me what happened?

Would you please have my prescriptions renewed? They are critical and I have no money to buy them on the outside. Nine of my eleven medicines have no refills remaining and two medicines have one refill remaining.

Thank you.

Anthony O'Connell 7637

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A:Green Valley, AZ 85614
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DOB: 10/25/1941 ]

To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

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From:

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Subject: General

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ANP Randi Schmeling:

Withdrawing Living Will. Early on we agreed that you would have my original living will transferred from Prescott to Green Valley because I wanted to withdraw it. Has that been done and may I come to the clinic and get it? If you don't have it would you please get it and send it to me?

Thank you.

Anthony O'Connell 7637



Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmall.com>

### What happened?

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: "Rindone, Joseph P." <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov>

Sat, Apr 13, 2013 at 12:35 PM

Dr. Joseph Rindone:

I don't understand what happened. I had prescriptions refills and a warfarin monitor, and then there was confusion, and now I don't have prescription refills and I don't have a warfarin monitor. Please tell me what happened.

Of my 11 medicines I have 10 with no refills remaining and 1 with 1 refill remaining. Please have my prescriptions refilled.

Thank you.

Anthony O'Connell 7637

Rindone, Joseph P. <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov>
To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Tue, Apr 16, 2013 at 8:01 AM

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Will continue to follow your warfarin and mail this out .... All other prescriptions need to go through Tucson, NO EXCEPTIONS ... I will contact Tucson to see if they can renew your prescriptions

We have a lab appointment set up for you in Green Valley on May 7 at 11:15 .... I will email you the result like before

**From:** Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Saturday, April 13, 2013 12:36 PM

To: Rindone, Joseph P. Subject: What happened?

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: "Rindone, Joseph P." <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov>

Tue, Apr 16, 2013 at 9:01 AM

God bless you [Quoted text hidden]



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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Sat, Apr 13, 2013 at 12:50 PM

To: marjorie.ford@med.va.gov

Dr. Marjorie Ford:

I don't understand what happened. I had prescriptions refills and a warfarin monitor, and then there was confusion, and now I don't have prescription refills and I don't have a warfarin monitor. Please tell me what happened.

Of my 11 medicines I have 10 with no refills remaining and 1 with 1 refill remaining. Please have my prescriptions refilled.

िThank you.

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### What happened?

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: Johnathan Gardner <johnathan.gardner@med.va.gov>

Sat, Apr 13, 2013 at 1:02 PM

Director Johnathan Gardner:

I am a patient in the Green Valley out patient clinic. I don't understand what has happened.

Previously, I had prescriptions renewed and a warfarin monitor, and then there was confusion, and now I don't have prescriptions renewed and I don't have a warfarin monitor. Would you please find out what happened and tell me?

Of my 11 medicines I have 10 with no refills remaining and 1 with 1 refill remaining. Would you please use your power to have my prescriptions renewed?

Thank you.

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### What happened?

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: eric.vanhoesen@med.va.gov

Sat, Apr 13, 2013 at 1:16 PM

Dr Eric Van Hoesen:

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmall.com>

### Please tell me why my medicine stopped

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> Wed, Apr 17, 2013 at 7:08 AM To: "Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty <sally.petty@med.va.gov>, Director Johnathan Gardner <johnathan.gardner@med.va.gov>

Dear Pharmacist Marjorie Ford, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty, and Director Johnathan Gardner:

I used to receive my medicine, and then there was confusion, and now I don't receive my medicine. Would you please explain what happened?

There are no refills left on 10 of my 11 medicines and 1 refill left on 1, and my prescriptions are not being renewed. My income is such that I can't afford to buy my medicines on the outside, and my health is such that I will die without them. Stopping my medicine is a virtual death sentence.

Please tell me why my medicine stopped.

Thank you.

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04/17/2013 05:14 PM

From:

SCHMELING, RANDI

To:

OCONNELL, ANTHONY

Message ID#: 102395150

Subject:

General

General Inquiry

Per the guidelines, you need to wear the braces which should be delivered today or tomorrow for 3 months-this often resolves the problem without surgery. If it does not, then we would get the emg and send you to orthopedics for surgery. This is how we treat carpal tunnel.

### **Previous Messages in Thread**

-----Original Message-----

Sent: 04/16/2013 04:59 PM From: OCONNELL, ANTHONY To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

Subject: General Inquiry

Is the "positive phalens test" what you did; pressing my wrist together for about five minutes?

I don't remember have any contact with neurology about this.

Please allow me to get the nerve conductivity test you mentioned, or whatever tests are relevant, now. Why wait?

Anthony O'Connell 7637

-----Original Message-----

Sent: 04/16/2013 02:59 PM From: SCHMELING, RANDI To: OCONNELL, ANTHONY Subject: General Inquiry

You had what is called a "positive phalens test" which indicates carpal tunnel, neurology wants you to wear the braces nightly every night for 3 months. if still having issues after that we will get a nerve conduction study.

-----Original Message-----

Sent: 04/16/2013 07:32 AM From: OCONNELL, ANTHONY To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT Subject: General Inquiry

ANP Randi Schmeling,

Would you please get me a consult for the continued numbness in both of my hands and forearms? I fear permanent damage is being done.

I don't understand why it would be caused by my computer mouse when I only use one hand for my computer mouse.

Thank you.



Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

### Please tell me why my medicine stopped

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> Thu, Apr 18, 2013 at 8:26 AM To: "Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty <sally.petty@med.va.gov>, Director Johnathan Gardner <johnathan.gardner@med.va.gov>

Dear Pharmacist Marjorie Ford, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty, and Director Johnathan Gardner:

I used to receive my medicine, and then there was confusion, and now I don't receive my medicine. Would you please tell me what happened?

There are no refills left on 10 of my 11 medicines and my prescriptions are not being renewed. My income is such that I can't afford to buy my medicine on the outside, and my health is such that I will die without them. Stopping my medicine is a virtual death sentence.

Please explain why my medicine stopped.

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> Fri, Apr 19, 2013 at 8:06 AM To: "Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty <sally.petty@med.va.gov>, Director Johnathan Gardner <johnathan.gardner@med.va.gov>

Dear Pharmacist Marjorie Ford, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty, and Director Johnathan Gardner:

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Please explain why my medicine stopped.

Thank you.

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### Please tell me why my medicine stopped

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> Mon, Apr 22, 2013 at 5:34 AM To: "Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, Director Johnathan Gardner <johnathan.gardner@med.va.gov>, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty <sally.petty@med.va.gov>

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Please explain why my medicine stopped.

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# My appointment in Green Valley on May 7 at 11:15 am is not in the appointments section of My HealtheVet

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: "Dr. Joseph P. Rindone" <joseph.rindone@va.gov>

Tue, Apr 23, 2013 at 8:16 AM

Good morning Dr. Rindone:

Thank you for making an appointment for me in Green Valley on May 7, 11:15 am.

I checked the appointments section of My HealtheVet and that appointment is not shown. I fear that the computer bug(?) that made my previous appointment in Green Valley disappear (March 28, 2013) may have struck again. Would you please reinstate the appointment?

Thank you.

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### Please explain why my medicine stopped.

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> Wed, Apr 24, 2013 at 7:15 AM To: "Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty <sally.petty@med.va.gov>, Director Johnathan Gardner <iohnathan.gardner@med.va.gov>

Dear Pharmacist Marjorie Ford, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty, and Director Johnathan Gardner:

I used to receive my medicine, and then there was confusion, and now I don't receive my medicine. Please explain why my medicine stopped.

There are no refills left on 9 of my 10 medicines and my prescriptions are not being renewed. My income is such that I can't afford to buy my medicine on the outside, and my health is such that I will die without them. Stopping my medicine is a virtual death sentence.

Why force me to ask for law enforcement outside the VA for something that should be corrected within the VA? Why do this to the VA system and the Veteran? Why now? Please respond. Please take an accountable position so that all concerned can rely upon it.

Thank you.



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### Please explain why my medicine stopped.

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> Thu, Apr 25, 2013 at 8:38 AM To: "Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty <sally.petty@med.va.gov>, Director Johnathan Gardner <johnathan.gardner@med.va.gov>

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### **Living Will**

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: "Dr. Joseph P. Rindone" <joseph.rindone@va.gov>

Sat, Apr 27, 2013 at 2:02 AM

nter Dr. Rindone,

I had submitted a Living Will in Prescott when I was on the Blue Team. Can you have it returned to me?

Thank you.

Anthony O'Connell 7637

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OCONNELL, ANTHONY [ SSN: 7637,

DOB: 10/25/1941 ]

**To:** \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

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ID#:

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Subject: General

General Inquiry

ANP Schmeling:

I don't understand why I can't get my Living Will back. I rescind my Living Will. Please have the original of my Living Will returned to me now.

Thank you.

Anthony O'Connell 7637



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### Please explain why my medicine stopped

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Mon, Apr 29, 2013 at 2:45 AM

To: "Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty <sally.petty@med.va.gov>,

Director Johnathan Gardner < johnathan.gardner@med.va.gov>

Cc: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Dear VA Pharmacist Marjorie Ford <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo

Petty <sally.petty@med.va.gov>, and VA Director Johnathan Gardner <johnathan.gardner@med.va.gov>:

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I don't understand why I can't get my living will back: I have asked for months. I rescind my living will. Please preturn the original to me.

Why do this to this veteran and the VA system? What is your intent? Why now? Please take an accountable position so that all concerned can rely upon it. Why have you never responded? Why force me to ask for help? http://www.followthetrails.com



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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
Tue, Apr 30, 2013 at 5:30 AM To; "Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty <sally.petty@med.va.gov>, Director Johnathan Gardner <johnathan.gardner@med.va.gov>

Dear VA Pharmacist Marjorie Ford, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty, and VA Director Johnathan Gardner:

Please explain why my medicine stopped. Stopping my medicine is a virtual death sentence.

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### Please explain why my medicine stopped

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> Wed, May 1, 2013 at 4:46 AM To: "Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty <sally.petty@med.va.gov>, Director Johnathan Gardner <johnathan.gardner@med.va.gov>

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From: DOB: 10/25/1941 ]

To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

Message ID#:

106368667

Subject: General General Inquiry

ANP Randi Schmeling:

Please renew my prescriptions. Stopping my medicine is a virtual death sentence.

I don't understand why I can't get my living will back. I rescind my living will. Please return the original to me.

What is your intent? Please take an accountable position so that all concerned can rely upon it.

Sincerely, Anthony O'Connell 7637



Anthony OConnell <asthonys/incroconnell@gmall.com>

### Please explain why my medicine stopped

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Thu, May 2, 2013 at 7:28 AM

To: "Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty <sally.petty@med.va.gov>, Director Johnathan Gardner <johnathan.gardner@med.va.gov>

Dear VA Pharmacist Marjorie Ford, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty, and VA Director Johnathan Gardner:

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Sent: 05/02/2013 09:31 AM

OCONNELL, ANTHONY [ SSN: 7637. From:

DOB: 10/25/1941 ]

To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

Message

106834910 ID#:

Subject: General Inquiry General

Dear ANP Randi Schmeling:

Please explain why my medicine stopped. Because of my health and my income stopping my VA medicine is a virtual death sentence.

Please return my original living will. I rescind my living will. I don't understand why you won't return it.

What is your intent?

Sincerely, Anthony O'Connell 763

Sent:

05/02/2013 05:56 PM

From:

DUNKLIN, DONNA

To:

OCONNELL, ANTHONY

Message ID#: 107063585

Subject:

General

General Inquiry

Dear Mr. O'Connell.

I am the social worker at the Green Valley VA Clinic and am writing to respond regarding your living will. It is my understanding that you gave your living will to the Prescott Clinic. We do not have your original living will here and there is no record of a living will in your chart. We do not keep documents at the clinic. When we receive a document we note it in the electronic chart and send it to Medical Records in Tucson for scanning. You might try the Prescott Clinic or their main office which I believe is in Phoenix.

Thank you for your service and feel free to call me if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

Donna Dunklin LCSW

399-2291

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### Please explain why my medicine stopped

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Fri, May 3, 2013 at 5:19 AM

To: "Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty <sally.petty@med.va.gov>, Director Johnathan Gardner <johnathan.gardner@med.va.gov>

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OCONNELL, ANTHONY [ SSN: 7637,

From: DOB: 10/25/1941 ]

**To:** \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

Message ID#:

107158627

Subject: General Inquiry

Dear Primary Care Provider ANP Randi Schmeling:

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Please return my original living will. When I first became your patient you agreed to return it. I rescind my living will. Please return my original living will to me.

What is your intent?

Sincerely, Anthony O'Connell 763



Anthony OConnell sonthonymineroconnell@gmail.com=

### Medicine history in HealtheVet

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Mon, May 6, 2013 at 2:47 PM

To: paula.newsome@va.gov

Dear Paula Newsome:

I have my medicine history from HealtheVet back to 9/4/2006. Is that as far back as it will ever go? If there is more to be loaded at a later time would you please load what ever is left on my record now?

Thank you.

Anthony M. OConnell 7637, born October 25, 1941

**Newsome**, **Paula S.** <Paula Newsome@va.gov>
To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Wed, May 8, 2013 at 8:25 AM

Mr. O'Connell,

The historical data timeframes are determined at the national level, so I really cannot answer your question. Any additional data will be automatically loaded to your account if that timeframe is adjusted in the future.

Paula

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**"From:** Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Monday, May 06, 2013 2:48 PM

To: Newsome, Paula S.

Subject: Medicine history in HealtheVet

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: "Newsome, Paula S." <Paula.Newsome@va.gov>

Wed, May 8, 2013 at 8:36 AM

Thank you

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OCONNELL, ANTHONY [ SSN: 7637,

From: OCONNELL, ANTH DOB: 10/25/1941 ]

To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

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ID#:

107990271

Subject: General

General Inquiry

ANP Randi Schmeling:

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Please respond. Please take an accountable position so that all concerned can rely upon it. Thank you.

Anthony O'Connell 7637



Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

#### Please release my medicine and return my living will.

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Mon, May 6, 2013 at 2:21 PM
To: "Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty <sally.petty@med.va.gov>, Director Johnathan Gardner <johnathan.gardner@med.va.gov>

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05/07/2013 01:43 PM

From:

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To:

OCONNELL, ANTHONY

Message ID#: 108337223

Subject:

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General Inquiry

1) your medicine is due for release; you can go to main VA since you do not have a phone to get it.

2) For the last time-social work has addressed the advance directive issue. I do not have a copy-you can go to the Release of Information office at the main VA and they may have access to it.

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Sent: 05/06/2013 04:27 PM From: OCONNELL, ANTHONY To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

Subject: General Inquiry

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Sent:

05/07/2013 01:43 PM

From:

SCHMELING, RANDI

To:

OCONNELL, ANTHONY

Message ID#: 108337360

Subject:

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To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

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To:

108503585

Subject: General General Inquiry

ANP Randi Schmeling:

I do not understand your "Your medicine is due for release; you can go to main VA since you do not have a phone to get it". Would you please explain?

I just checked the refill prescriptions part of my HealtheVet and there are still no boxes for me to select. When you renew my prescriptions these boxes appear and I can select them and the pharmacy will mail my medicine to me. If you do not renew my prescriptions those boxes will continue to not appear. It has nothing to do with a telephone. I cannot get my medicine until you renew the prescriptions. Please do not make it appear as if it is my fault that I can not get my medicine or my original living will back. Please take an accountable position so all concerned can rely upon it:

- (1) Please renew my prescriptions now.
- (2) Please send me my original living will now.

Thank you.

Anthony O'Connell 7637

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Sent: 05/07/2013 01:43 PM From: SCHMELING, RANDI To: OCONNELL, ANTHONY Subject: General Inquiry

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

#### Please release my medicine and return my original living will.

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
Tue, May 7, 2013 at 8:35 PM
To: "Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty <sally.petty@med.va.gov>, Director Johnathan Gardner
<johnathan.gardner@med.va.gov>

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From: OCONNELL, ANTHONY [ SSN: 7637,

DOB: 10/25/1941 ]

To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

Message ID#:

108654146

Subject: General General Inquiry

Dear ANP Randi Schmeling:

(1) Please explain why my medicine was stopped. Because of my health and income stopping my VA medicine will kill me. Do you understand? Please release my medicine.

(2) Please return my original living will [VA Form 10-0137 "VA Advance directive: Durable power of attorney for Health Care and Living Will"]. I rescind my living will. Please return my original living will to me.

Did you decide on your own to stop my medicine and not return my living will or were you instructed to do so?

Thank you.

Anthony O'Connell 7637

Sent:

05/08/2013 01:23 PM

From:

CAULDWELL, FABIAN

To:

OCONNELL, ANTHONY

Message ID#: 108738181

Subject:

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General Inquiry

Mr. Oconnel

Your medication was sent out to you, you will receive it in the mail.

ANP Schmeling does not have your "will" she does not keep any patient records in her office. Please refrain from continuing to ask her for this. You can contact the main facility at (520)792-1450 if you have questions regarding your "will".

I am also asking that you use this service to ask general question only and if you need to schedule an appointment to see ANP Schmeling you can call our clinic at (520)399-2291.

Thank you and have a good day Fabian

### **Previous Messages in Thread**

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To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

Subject: General Inquiry

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Thank you.



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#### Please release my medicine and return my living will.

Wed, May 8, 2013 at 8:34 AM

Arthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty <sally.petty@med.va.gov>, Director Johnathan Gardner chinathan.gardner@med.va.gov>

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DOB: 10/25/1941 ]

\*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

Message ID#:

From:

To:

109110833

Subject: General

General Inquiry

Dear ANP Randi Schmeling:

- (1) Please explain why my medicine stopped. Because of my poor health and poverty line income stopping my VA medicine will kill me. To kill my medicine is to kill me. Please release my medicine.
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If you believe I am in any way responsible for my not receiving my medicine would you please explain how? Why is it so important to you to withhold my medicine and my living will? Is this your decision or have you been instructed to do so?

Thank you.

Anthony O'Connell 7637

Sent:

05/09/2013 03:41 PM

From:

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OCONNELL, ANTHONY

Message ID#: 109200242

Subject:

General

General Inquiry

Mr. Oconnell

I addressed your medication issue yesterday is there something else going on. Your medication was sent out from the main facility to you and should arrive shortly.

This clinic and ANP Schmeling does not hold any copies of patient records, if you would like to receive your living will please contact release of information at the main facility at (520)792-1450.

I hope this has answered your questions about your medication and living will. We need to get past this and assist you with the care you may need.

Thank you Fabian

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Thank you.

Anthony O'Connell 7637



Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@amail.com>

#### Please explain why my medicine stopped. .draft for May 9

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
Thu, May 9, 2013 at 11:0
Tor. Marjorle Ford" <marjorle.ford@med.va.gov>, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty <sally.petty@med.va.gov>, Director Johnathan Gardner <johnathan.gardner@med.va.gov>

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"1) your medicine is due for release; you can go to main VA since you do not have a phone to get it." (Randi Schmeling, May 7, 2013, 1:43 pm) "Your medication was sent out to you, you will receive it in the mail." (Fabian Cauldwell, May 8, 2013, 1:23 pm)

Do you think the above implies that my medicine problems are over? Or is it a one time thing? As of May 9, 2013, MyHealtheVet shows that my prescriptions have still not been renewed. I still have no boxes to select for Pharmacy. If you believe I am in any way responsible for my not receiving my medicine would you please explain how?

Given my poor health and poverty line income how is withholding my medicine and consequent death any different from premeditated murder? And if my living will is used to justify my death, a cover up? Why is it so important to you to withhold my medicine and my living will?

Thank you.

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OCONNELL, ANTHONY [ SSN: 7637,

DOB: 10/25/1941 1

To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

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ID#:

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Subject: General Inquiry

This message is for my primary care provider ANP Randi Schmeling:

- (1) Please explain why my medicine stopped. Because of my poor health and poverty line income stopping my VA medicine will kill me. Please release my medicine now. Do you understand that withholding my medicine will kill me?
- (2) Please have my original living will [VA Form 10-0137 "VA Advance directive: Durable power of attorney for Health Care and Living Will"] returned to me. I don't understand why I can't get it back. I rescind this living will. This is the same living will that you agreed I would get back after I asked you for it sometime around July of 2012.

If you believe I am in any way responsible for my not receiving my medicine would you please explain how? Why is it so important to you to withhold my medicine and my living will? Is this your decision or have you been instructed to do so?

Thank you.

Anthony O'Connell 7637



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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

#### Please explain why my medicine stopped

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Fri, May 10, 2013 at 212

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To: "Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty <sally.petty@med.va.gov>, Director Johnathan Gardner <johnathan.gardner@med.va.gov>

Dear VA Pharmacist Marjorie Ford, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty, and VA Director Johnathan Gardner:

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"Your medication was sent out to you, you will receive it in the mail." (Fabian Cauldwell, May 8, 2013, 1:23 pm)

Do you think the above implies that my medicine problems are over? Or is it a one time thing? Do you think it deliberately misleads? As of May 9, 2013, MyHealtheVet shows that my prescription have still not been renewed. I still have no control over my refills: I still have no boxes to select for Pharmacy. If you believe I am in any way responsible for my not receiving my medicine please explain how?

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Anthony OConneli <anthonymineroconneli@gmall.com>

# Medicine

**Anthony OConnell** <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: ANP Randi Schmeling <a href="mailto:randi.schmeling@med.va.gov">randi.schmeling@med.va.gov</a>

Mon, May 13, 2013 at 7:33 AM

Dear Primary Care Provider ANP Randi Schmeling:

- (1) Please explain why my medicine stopped.
- (2) Have my medicine prescriptions been renewed? Please give me a yes or a no.

Thank you.

Anthony O'Connell 7637

Schmeling, Randi I < Randi.Schmeling@va.gov>

Anthony OConnell < anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Mon, May 13, 2013 at 7:42 AM

This is not a secure site-DO NOT USE THIS EMAIL AGAIN!

We have already answered these

questions

From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Monday, May 13, 2013 7:34 AM

**To:** Schmeling, Randi I **Subject:** Medicine

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OCONNELL, ANTHONY [ SSN: 7637.

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**To:** \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

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Subject: General

This message is for my primary care provider ANP Randi Schmeling:

General Inquiry

I received your postal letter of May 9, 2013, and I quote it:

"Dear ANTHONY MINER OCONNELL,

This letter is to address your misuse of secure messaging. You have written the

same thing over 6 times and we have sent you the answer as many times. You MUST

stop doing this. Your medications are not being withheld, they are being sent

out. We have told you how to contact Release of Information each time regarding

the copy of your advanced directives as we do not have access to them. The MSA.

the soc1al worker, pharmacist and I have all responded to you numerous times.

If you do not stop misusing secure messaging, I will have to request from the

overseer of secure messaging contact you and if necessary suspend your secure

messaging.

Sincerely,

Randi Schmeling MS, RNP, ANP, BC"

I do not understand how your refusal to answer obvious questions such

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Sincerely, Anthony O'Connell 7637



# Medicine

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> Mon, May 13, 2013 at 9:04 AM To: ANP Randi Schmeling <randi.schmeling@med.va.gov>, "Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty <sally.petty@med.va.gov>, Director Johnathan Gardner <johnathan.gardner@med.va.gov>

Dear Primary Care Provider ANP Randi Schmeling, VA Pharmacist Marjorie Ford, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty, and VA Director Johnathan Gardner:

- (1) Please explain why my medicine stopped.
- (2) Have my medicine prescriptions been renewed? Please give me a yes or a no.

Thank you.

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Schmeling, Randi I <Randi.Schmeling@va.gov>

Mon, May 13, 2013 at 9:08 AM

To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>, "Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty <sally.petty@med.va.gov>, Director Johnathan Gardner <johnathan.gardner@med.va.gov>

AGAIN, PLEASE DO NOT USE THIS SITE AS IS NONSECURE. I and my staff have already answered this question numerous times in secure messaging.

From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Monday, May 13, 2013 9:05 AM

To: Schmeling, Randi I; Dr. Marjorie Ford; VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty; Director Johnathan Gardner

Subject: Medicine

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OCONNELL, ANTHONY [ SSN: 7637, DOB: 10/25/1941 ]

To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

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ID#: 110211904

Subject:

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Thank you.

Anthony O'Connell 7637

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a living will in your chart. We do not keep documents at the clinic. When we receive a document we note it in the electronic chart and send it to Medical Records in Tucson for scanning. You might try the Prescott Clinic or their main office which I believe is in Phoenix.

Thank you for your service and feel free to call me if you have further questions. Sincerely,

Donna Dunklin LCSW 399-2291

Subject: General Inquiry

Dear ANP Randi Schmeling:

Please explain why my medicine stopped. Because of my health and my income stopping my VA medicine is a virtual death sentence.

Please return my original living will. I rescind my living will. I don't understand why you won't return it.

What is your intent?

Sincerely, Anthony O'Connell 763



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## Please explain why my medicine stopped

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
Tue, May 14, 2013 at 5:20 AM To: ANP Randi Schmeling <randi.schmeling@med.va.gov>, "Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty <sally.petty@med.va.gov>, Director Johnathan Gardner <johnathan.gardner@med.va.gov>

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- (3) Have my medicine prescriptions been renewed? Please give me a yes or a no.

Thank you.

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Thank you.

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Dear Donna Dunklin LCSW.

On May 14, 2013, I went to release of information at the Tucson VA to get my living will out of the system. They told me I had to make an appointment with the social worker in Green Valley to get my living will out of the system. If that is agreeable with you, just tell me when I can see you. If you have any questions please contact Rosemary Hernandez at the Release of Information office in Tucson. I look forward to your response.

Thank you.

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Subject: General Inquiry

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Thank you.

Anthony O'Connell 7637



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## Do you understand that stopping my medicine will kill me?

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> Wed, May 15, 2013 at 7:57 AM To: ANP Randi Schmeling <randi.schmeling@med.va.gov>, "Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty <sally.petty@med.va.gov>, Director Johnathan Gardner <johnathan.gardner@med.va.gov>

Dear Primary Care Provider ANP Randi Schmeling, VA Pharmacist Marjorie Ford, VA Chief of CBOCs Sally Jo Petty, and VA Director Johnathan Gardner:

- (1) Do you understand that stopping my medicine will kill me?
- (2) Please explain why my medicine stopped.
- (3) If you think I am in any way at fault please tell me how.
- (4) Have my medicine prescriptions been renewed? Please give me a yes or a no.

Thank you.

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Sent: 05/15/2013 10:51 AM
From: SCHMELING, RANDI
To: OCONNELL, ANTHONY

Message ID#: 110818318

Subject: General General Inquiry

You must make an appt with me first. come by and make an appt

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Subject: General Inquiry

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Anthony O'Connell 7637





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To:

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General Inquiry

We have answered your questions many times-my MSA, the pharmacist, social worker and myself. We cannot continue to write the same thing over and over. We do not have the time to keep repeating ourselves as we have many other patients. We have answered your medication issue; they were sent out. If you have not received them, then you need to go to main va to the pharmacist since you do not have a phone. You are misusing the system because you keep writing the same thing over even though we have answered your questions, and do not use outlook again-it is not a secure site and I will not respond back in outlook.

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-----Original Message-------Sent: 05/13/2013 08:56 AM
From: OCONNELL, ANTHONY

To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

Subject: General Inquiry

This message is for my primary care provider ANP Randi Schmeling:

I received your postal letter of May 9, 2013, and I quote it:

"Dear ANTHONY MINER OCONNELL,

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If you do not stop misusing secure messaging, I will have to request from the overseer of secure messaging contact you and if necessary suspend your secure messaging.

Sincerely,

Randi Schmeling MS, RNP, ANP, BC"

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Sincerely, Anthony O'Connell 7637

Sent:

05/16/2013 11:11 AM

From:

DUNKLIN, DONNA

To:

OCONNELL, ANTHONY

Message ID#: 111213373

Subject:

General

General Inquiry

Mr, O'Connell,

I am sorry, but you received incorrect information at the Tucson VA. I spoke directly with the Director of Medical Records who told me that they do not keep any hard copy records at all. They scan everything that they receive and put it in your electronic record. They destroy all hard copies after 90 days. I repeat there is NO living will in your electronic chart here at SAVAHCS, which indicates that they never received a paper copy of a Living Will for you. If you are concerned about Prescott having your Living Will in their chart, you need to contact them.

Sincerely, Donna Dunklin, LCSW

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Thank you for your service and feel free to call me if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

Donna Dunklin LCSW

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-----Original Message------Sent: 05/02/2013 09:31 AM
From: OCONNELL, ANTHONY
To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

Subject: General Inquiry

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What is your intent?

Sincerely, Anthony O'Connell 763

Sent:

05/16/2013 04:53 PM

From:

SCHMELING, RANDI

To:

OCONNELL, ANTHONY

Message ID#: 111375780

Subject:

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have already told you to make an appt to see me; cannot send consult without seeing you first. if chest pain-call 911

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To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

Subject: General Inquiry

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Thank you.

Anthony O'Connell 7637



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## Have you renewed my medicine prescriptions?

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: ANP Randi Schmeling <randi.schmeling@med.va.gov>

Thu, May 16, 2013 at 6:47 PM

Dear Primary Care Provider Randi Schmeling, ANP

Have you renewed my medicine prescriptions? Please say yes or no.

Thank you.

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Sincerely, Anthony OConnell 7637



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## **Evidence for charges**

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: ANP Randi Schmeling <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Fri, May 17, 2013 at 1:14 PM

Dear ANP Randi Schmeling, Primary Care Provider:

I received you letter dated May 9, 2013, and quote it below for reference:

"Dear ANTHONY MINER OCONNELL

This letter is to address your misuse of secure messaging. You have written the same thing over 6 times and we have sent you the answer as many times. You MUST stop doing this. Your medications are not being withheld, they are being sent out. We have told you how to contact Release of Information each time regarding the copy of your advanced directives as we do not have access to them. The MSA, the soc1al worker, pharmacist and I have all responded to you numerous times. If you do not stop misusing secure messaging, I will have to request from the overseer of secure messaging contact you and if necessary suspend your secure messaging.

Sincerely,

Randi Schmeling MS, RNP, ANP, BC"

This letter is not true. Please send me a copy of any evidence that would support the charges in this letter.

Thank you.

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Sincerely, Anthony OConnell 7637

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#### Evidence for charges

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: "Newsome, Paula S." <paula.newsome@va.gov>

Fri, May 17, 2013 at 1:17 PM

Dear Paula Newsome, My HealtheVet Coordinato:

I received your letter dated May 13, 2013 (I received two copies, once on May 15(?) and once on May 17.) and quote it below for reference:

"Dear Mr. O'Connell,

When you opted in to the VA's Secure Messaging program through your My HealtheVet account, you agreed to specific terms and conditions for the use of that program (see attached). The purpose of this letter is to notify you in writing that you have violated those terms and conditions by sending an excessive number of messages. If your inappropriate use of the VA's Secure Messaging program does not cease, actions may be taken to block you from the program. If you continue to demonstrate inappropriate use of Secure Messaging, a request to block your usage will be presented to the Southern Arizona VA Health Care System (SAVAHCS) MyHealtheVet Workgroup. If the workgroup makes a recommendation in favor of blocking your use, you will be notified by letter, which will include information on how you can appeal the decision.

We sincerely hope you will make the choice to abide by the rules of Secure Messaging so that you can continue to enjoy the convenience of the program. If you have any questions about the content of this letter, please contact me at (520) 792-1450 ext. 6889.

Sincerely,

Paula S. Newsome

My HealtheVet Coordinator"

This letter is not true. Please send me a copy of any evidence that would support the charges in this letter.

Thank you.

Sincerely, Anthony O'Connell, 7637



#### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Southern Arizona VA Health Care System Tucson, AZ 85723

In Reply Refer To: 678/13-119

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The Honorable Ron Barber United States Congressman 3945 East Ft. Lowell, Suite 211 Tucson, AZ 85712 Attn: Patty Valera

Dear Congressman Barber:

This is in response to your inquiry dated June 3, 2013, on behalf of Mr. Anthony Miner O'Connell, who contacted your office regarding his medication renewals from the Southern Arizona VA Health Care System (SAVAHCS). I asked Ms. Bernadette Schaeffer, Outpatient Pharmacy Program Manager to review your request.

In reviewing Mr. O'Connell's records it was determined that he does not have a telephone. Ms Schaeffer did contact his daughter Ms. Kate Simmons on June 7, 2013. Ms. Schaeffer confirmed that, Mr. O'Connell is receiving medications from the Consolidated Medication Outpatient Pharmacy and/or the SAVAHCS. He is also receiving medication from the Northern VA Health Care System (NAVAHCS). Ms Simmons was surprised that her father was still concerned about his prescriptions, as he had recently told her that he had resolved the issue. Ms. Schaeffer provided Ms. Simmons with her contact information if any issues with his medication arise.

The SAVAHCS strives to provide quality and compassionate care to all of our Veterans. We are very concerned with patient care and the satisfaction of the Veterans we serve. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter, please contact Ms. Bernadette Schaeffer at (520) 792-1450, extension 5394.

Sincerely,

Jonathan U. Gardner, MPA, FACHE

Director

Southern Arizona

VA Health Care System

Why, after not responding to me, did Director Gardner have Ms. Schaeffer call my daughter and tell Congressman Barber what he said Ms. Schaeffer said my daughter said I said?

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#### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS Southern Arizona VA Health Care System Tucson, AZ 85723

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In Reply Refer To: 678/0-002A

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The Honorable John McCain United States Senator 407 West Congress Street, Suite 103 Tucson, AZ 85701

Attn: Suzanne Hernandez

Dear Senator McCain:

This is in response to your letter dated June 19, 2013, regarding your constituent, Mr. Anthony OConnell and his concerns at the Green Valley Community Based Outpatient Clinic (CBOC) of the Southern Arizona VA Health Care System (SAVAHCS). I requested that Mr. John Altevers, Administrative Officer, Community Clinics Care Line, address his concerns.

Mr. OConnell expressed several concerns in his letter to you but specifically asked questions about his prescription renewals, his treatment, and obtaining his living will. Mr. OConnell's current medications were not stopped and were refilled promptly at his request since October 2012. Many medications are renewed annually. In order for Mr. OConnell to obtain further medication refills, he can schedule an appointment with his provider at the Green Valley CBOC by calling (520) 399-2291. If Mr. OConnell needs refills prior to October 2013; he should contact the pharmacy refill line, at (520) 470-8262 and select option four. Mr. OConnell also contacted his provider several times asking that his living will be returned to him. He was advised each time to contact the Release of Information (ROI) office located at the main VA hospital to obtain his living will, as it is not available at the clinic. Mr. OConnell can reach the ROI office at (520) 792-1450, extension 6923.

These are standard VA procedures and all Veterans are provided the same guidance to receive medication refills and to obtain copies of their computerized medical information.

The SAVAHCS strives to provide quality and compassionate care to all of our Veterans. We are very concerned with patient care and the satisfaction of the Veterans we serve. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Mr. John Altevers at (520) 792-1450, extension 4042.

Sincerely,

Director

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VA Health Care System

Can we follow the medicine trails? There is no other way to see where medicine went.

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Anthony OConnell <anthonyminersconnell@gmail.com>

#### **Medicine trails**

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Sat, Oct 5, 2013 at 8:58 AM

To: Primary Care Provider ANP Randi Schmeling <a href="mailto:randi.schmeling@med.va.gov">randi.schmeling@med.va.gov</a>, "Pharmacist, Prescott, Dr. Joseph P. Rindone" <joseph.rindone@va.gov</a>, Dr John Nanson <a href="mailto:rjohn.nanson@med.va.gov">rjohn.nanson@med.va.gov</a>, Director Jonathan Gardner <a href="mailto:rjohn.nanson@med.va.gov">rjohn.nanson@med.va.gov</a>, "Pharmacist, Tucson, Dr. Marjorie Ford" <a href="mailto:randingov">randingov</a>, "Pharmacist, Tucson, Dr. Marjorie Ford" <a href="mailto:randingov">randingov</a>, "Pharmacist, Tucson, Dr. Marjorie Ford" <a href="mailto:randingov">randingov</a>, "Pharmacist, Dr. Joseph P. Randi Schmeling (and Dr. Va.gov)</a>, "Director Jonathan Gardner <a href="mailto:randingov">randingov</a>, "Pharmacist, Tucson, Dr. Marjorie Ford" <a href="mailto:randingov">randingov</a>, "Pharmacist, Dr. Marjorie Ford" <a href="

Please renew my prescriptions for SIMVASTATIN 80MG TAB and BUPROPION HCL 150MG 12HR SA TAB.

Why, on the VA web site https://www.myhealth.va.gov, have these medicines had "0 refills remaining" since sometime before May 6, 2013, and then disappear from the list on August 8, 2013? What are the expected effects from stopping these medicines?

Please let the records show that I revoke the Power Of Attorney I gave the VA dated January 30, 2009 (See attached).

Thank you.

Anthony OConnell 7637

Reference: http://www.canwelookattheevidence.com



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Schmeling, Randi I <Randi.Schmeling@va.gov>

Mon, Oct 7, 2013 at 8:33 AM

To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Cc::/"Gardner, Jonathan H., (SES) FACHE" < Jonathan.Gardner@va.gov>

Mr. OConnell-we have warned you several times about using the nonsecure email outlook. Please cease and desist. Please use secure messaging for all correspondence. This is how your meds can be renewed. I will renew them for now but will no longer respond in Outlook due to security issues. I will respond if you use secure messaging.

From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

Sent: Saturday, October 05, 2013 8:59 AM

To: Schmeling, Randi I; Rindone, Joseph P.; Dr John Nanson; Gardner, Jonathan H., (SES) FACHE; Pharmacist,

Tucson, Dr. Marjorie Ford

Cc: Anthony OConnell; Dan Shearer

Subject: Medicine trails

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#### **Medicine trails**

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Mon, Oct 7, 2013 at 10:53 AM

To: Primary Care Provider ANP Randi Schmeling <a href="randi.schmeling@med.va.gov"><a href="randi.schmeling@med.va.gov"><a href="randi.schmeling@med.va.gov"></a>, "Pharmacist, Tucson, Dr. Marjorie Ford" <a href="randi.schmeling@med.va.gov"><a href="randi.schmeling@med.v

Dear VA personnel controlling my medicine:

- (1) Please renew my prescriptions for SIMVASTATIN 80MG TAB and BUPROPION HCL 150MG 12HR SA TAB.
- (2) Please let the records show that I revoke the Power Of Attorney I gave the VA dated January 30, 2009.
- (3) Please follow the medicine trails:

Why, on the VA web site https://www.myhealth.va.gov, do my medicines SIMVASTATIN 80MG TAB and BUPROPION HCL 150MG 12HR SA TAB have "0 refills remaining" since sometime before May 6, 2013, and then disappear from the list on August 8, 2013? I cannot request them if they are not on the list. What are the expected effects from stopping these medicines?

Why, on the same VA web site, do my medicines DIGOXIN 0.25 MG TAB, FINASTERIDE 5 MG TAB, METOPROLOL 25 MG TAB, and TAMSULOSIN 0.4 MG CAP, show 2 refills remaining on September 16, 2013, and 1 refill remaining on September 17, 2013, when I received none of these medicines on or around this time? Where did refill 2 for these four medicines go?

Why does the Tucson Pharmacist Dr Marjorie Ford remain silent?

Thank you.

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Reference: http://www.canwelookattheevidence.com

Schmeling, Randi I <Randi.Schmeling@va.gov>

Mon, Oct 7, 2013 at 10:57 AM

To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>, "Pharmacist, Tucson, Dr. Marjorie Ford" <a href="marjorie.ford@med.va.gov">, "Rindone, Joseph P." <Joseph.Rindone@va.gov>, Dr John Nanson <a href="marjorie.ford@med.va.gov">, "Gardner, Jonathan H., (SES) FACHE" <Jonathan.Gardner@va.gov> Cc: John Humenik <jhumenik@azstarnet.com>, bbuel@azstar.net</a>

Once again; do not use outlook as is not secure; you MUST use secure messaging. Simvastatin was changed by cardiology to atorvastatin which has been renewed. Buproprion you were getting from Prescott. This has been ordered. I will ask pharmacy where your meds were sent. Please come by the clinic and verify your address.

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# AGAIN-DO NOT USE OUTLOOK AGAIN. USE SECURE MESSAGING. I have asked our information security officer to address this issue with you.

From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Monday, October 07, 2013 10:54 AM

To: Schmeling, Randi I; Pharmacist, Tucson, Dr. Marjorie Ford; Rindone, Joseph P.; Dr John Nanson; Gardner,

Jonathan H., (SES) FACHE

Cc: John Humenik; bbuel@azstar.net; Anthony OConnell

**Subject:** Medicine trails

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Mail Delivery Subsystem <mailer-daemon@googlemail.com>
To: anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com

Tue, Oct 8, 2013 at 12:03 PM

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YOU DO NOT NEED TO RESEND YOUR MESSAGE.

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Thu, Oct 17, 2013 at 6:22 AM

To; anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com

The following message to <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov> was undeliverable.

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Final-Recipient: rfc822;marjorie.ford@med.va.gov

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## Can we follow the medicine trails? There is no other way to see where the medicine went.

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To:MyHealtheVet Coordinator <paula.newsome@med.va.gov>

Fri, Oct 18, 2013 at 8:10 AM

Dear Tucson MyHealtheVet Coordinator Paula Newsome,

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Fri, Oct 18, 2013 at 8:11 AM

The following message to <paula.newsome@med.va.gov> was undeliverable.

The reason for the problem:

5.1.0 - Unknown address error 550-'5.1.1 User unknown'

Final-Recipient: rfc822;paula.newsome@med.va.gov

Action: failed

Status: 5.0.0 (permanent failure) Remote-MTA: dns; [10.232.120.13]

Diagnostic-Code: smtp; 5.1.0 - Unknown address error 550-'5.1.1 User unknown' (delivery attempts: 0)

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From: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> To: MyHealtheVet Coordinator <paula.newsome@med.va.gov>

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Date: Fri, 18 Oct 2013 08:10:55 -0700

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
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Newsome, Paula S. <Paula.Newsome@va.gov>
ToaAnthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Fri, Oct 18, 2013 at 8:35 AM

Mr. O'Connell,

I just logged in with no problem, so I do not think it is a website issue. However, if you continue to receive that error message, please report it to the National My HealtheVet Help Desk at (877) 327-0022.

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From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Friday, October 18, 2013 8:21 AM

**To:** Newsome, Paula S.

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To!"Newsome, Paula S." <Paula.Newsome@va.gov>

Fri, Oct 18, 2013 at 8:41 AM

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

## Can we follow the medicine trails? There is no other way to see where the medicine went.

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> Sat, Oct 19, 2013 at 5:41 PM To: "Pharmacist, Tucson, Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, Director Jonathan Gardner <johathan.gardner@med.va.gov>, Cardiologist Dr Karl Kern <kernk@email.arizona.edu>, Primary Care Provider ANP Randi Schmeling <mardi.schmeling@med.va.gov>

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Signally:

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# Can we follow the medicine trails? There is no other way to see where the medicine went.

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> Mon, Oct 21, 2013 at 3:43 AM To: "Pharmacist, Tucson, Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, Director Jonathan Gardner <ionathan.gardner@med.va.gov>, Primary Care Provider ANP Randi Schmeling <randi.schmeling@med.va.gov>, Cardiologist Dr Karl Kern <kernk@email.arizona.edu>

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Mon, Oct 21, 2013 at 3:43 AM

To: anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
Tue, Oct 22, 2013 at 2:02 AM To: "Pharmacist, Tucson, Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, Director Jonathan Gardner <jonathan.gardner@med.va.gov>, Cardiologist Dr Karl Kern <kernk@email.arizona.edu>, Primary Care Provider ANP Randi Schmeling <mardi.schmeling@med.va.gov>, marjorie.ford@va.gov

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Wed, Oct 23, 2013 at 11:49 AM

To: "Pharmacist, Tucson, Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, Director Jonathan Gardner <jonathan.gardner@med.va.gov>, Primary Care Provider ANP Randi Schmeling <randi.schmeling@med.va.gov>, Cardiologist Dr Karl Kern <kernk@email.arizona.edu>

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Thu, Oct 24, 2013 at 4:29 AM

To: "Pharmacist, Tucson, Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, Cardiologist Dr Karl Kern

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Schmeling, Randi I <Randi.Schmeling@va.gov> To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> Thu, Oct 24, 2013 at 3:09 PM

Please see your secure messaging for response.

From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, October 24, 2013 4:29 AM

To: Pharmacist, Tucson, Dr. Marjorie Ford; Cardiologist Dr Karl Kern; Gardner, Jonathan H., (SES) FACHE;

Schmeling, Randi I Cc: Congressman Ron Barber

**Subject:** Can we follow the medicine trails? There is no other way to see where the medicine went.

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10/24/2013 04:59 PM

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To:

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Subject:

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General Inquiry

I will not answer in Outlook as you should not be using it. I refilled your meds but with just one refill as I will be retiring November 27. When you are on your last refill, you will need to make an appointment with your new provider.

If you did not receive the medications that went out then you will need to drive to the main VA and talk to pharmacy since you do not have a phone. They can trace them and provide a refill if they were lost.

Regarding cardiology, you requested the referral since you were having chest pain. Therefore they ordered a stress test and changed your cholesterol medication since your cholesterol was not at the goal they wished. If you have any questions regarding any of this, I suggest you drive to the main VA and make a followup appointment with cardiology to discuss since you do not have a phone and cannot call them.

To change your living will, make an appointment with the social worker to get a new one with your current wishes on file.

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Fri, Oct 25, 2013 at 6:15 AM

To: "Pharmacist, Tucson, Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, Director Jonathan Gardner <jonathan.gardner@med.va.gov>, Primary Care Provider ANP Randi Schmeling <randi.schmeling@med.va.gov>, Cardiologist Dr Karl Kern <kernk@email.arizona.edu>

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Sat, Oct 26, 2013 at 7:04 AM

To: "Pharmacist, Tucson, Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, Director Jonathan Gardner

<jonathan.gardner@med.va.gov>, Cardiologist Dr Karl Kern <kernk@email.arizona.edu>, Primary Care Provider ANP Randi Schmeling <randi.schmeling@med.va.gov>

Cc: Congressman Ron Barber <patty.valera@mail.house.gov>

Please answer the questions. I don't understand Randi Schmeling's replies in secure messaging. If anyone believes they are answers please bring them out into the open and let's address them.

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Why not just send me my medicines like you send other veterans their medicines?

Thank you.

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## Your certified letter of October 25, 2013

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> To: timothy.mueller@med.va.gov Sat, Oct 26, 2013 at 12:52 PM

Dear Dr. Timothy Mueller:

I received your certified letter of October 25, 2013. If you are saying that it is against the rules to email the VA would you please state the rule?

If you are accusing me of "disrespectful behavior" or "disruptive behavior" would you please identify it? Please be specific.

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Mon, Oct 28, 2013 at 4:08 PM

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From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Monday, October 28, 2013 6:00 AM

To: Pharmacist, Tucson, Dr. Marjorie Ford; Gardner, Jonathan H., (SES) FACHE; Schmeling, Randi I; Cardiologist Dr

Karl Kern; Mueller, Timothy I. Cc: Congressman Ron Barber.

**Subject:** Can we expose the medicine trails? There is no other way to see where the medicine went.

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## Mail Delivery System <MAILER-DAEMON@gwwmta1.va.gov>

Fri, Nov 1, 2013 at 1:23 PM

To: anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com

The following message to <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov> was undeliverable.

The reason for the problem:

5.1.0 - Unknown address error 550-'5.1.1 User unknown'

Final-Recipient: rfc822;marjorie.ford@med.va.gov

Action: failed

Status: 5.0.0 (permanent failure) Remote-MTA: dns; [10.232.120.13]

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Tue, Nov 12, 2013 at 4:38 PM

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Sent: Monday, November 11, 2013 6:37 AM

To: Gardner, Jonathan H., (SES) FACHE; Pharmacist, Tucson, Dr. Marjorie Ford; Schmeling, Randi I; Mueller,

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# Please release my medicine and my Power of Attorney for Health Care and Living Will

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Thu, Nov 14, 2013 at 6:56 AM

To: "Pharmacist, Tucson, Dr. Marjorie Ford" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, Director Jonathan Gardner <jonathan.gardner@med.va.gov>, Primary Care Provider ANP Randi Schmeling <randi.schmeling@med.va.gov>, timothy.mueller@med.va.gov

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Dear Pharmacist Ford, Director Gardner, Provider Schmeling, and Dr Mueller:

Why not just treat me like other veterans? Please don't take away my VA health care and make it appear as my fault.

I don't understand why my requests to release my medicine and Power of Attorney for Health Care and Living Will is made to appear as inappropriate behavior. Why make your withholding appear as my fault?

Why insist that I use secure messaging and then falsely accuse me of misusing it and then use those false accusations as justification for blocking me from using it? Would blocking me from using secure messaging turn out to be blocking me from using https://www.myhealth.va.gov? If so, I could not access the medicine trails or request my medicine using https://www.myhealth.va.gov.

To Please identify the accusations against me and the evidence for it in the following:

"If you do not stop misusing secure messaging, I will have to request from the overseer of secure messaging contact you and if necessary suspend your secure messaging." (From provider Randi Schmeling's letter of May 9, 2013, to Anthony OConnell)

"If your inappropriate use of the VA's Secure Messaging program does not cease, actions may be taken to block you from the program." (From Coordinator Paula Newsome's letter of May 13, 2013 to Anthony OConnell (I received the same letter on May 15(?) and on May 17)

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#### Questions

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Kate Simmons <ksimmons92270@yahoo.com>
Reply-To: Kate Simmons <ksimmons92270@yahoo.com>
To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Thu, Nov 14, 2013 at 12:09 PM

Hi Tony,

The Tuscon VA hospital left a voice mail on my phone. They say they have written 2 letters since October 1 for you to see a cardiologist.

The phone number is 520-792-1450

Love, Kate

Kate Simmons

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: Kate Simmons <ksimmons92270@yahoo.com>

Thu, Nov 14, 2013 at 12:59 PM

Dear Kate,

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Thanks for notifying me of the VA telephone call and for not speaking to the VA. Was their voice mail today, November 14? I notice that they continue to refuse to write you with a copy to me.

Barb is so excited about moving into her Quonset hut. It is in the middle of Tucson, on the grip, in a fascinating neighborhood with the tiniest houses and original landscaping. Cats live under the hut, which is better than mice, but the cat pee is unpleasant. I believe she will have interesting adventures.

I think the necklace you bought is beautiful.

Most everyday I email the VA, an approximate copy of today's message is below.



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### Please release my medicine and Power of Attorney for Health Care and Living Will

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Fri. Nov 15, 2013 at 10:51 AM

To: "Pharmacist, Tucson, Dr. Mariorie Ford" <mariorie.ford@med.va.gov>, Director Jonathan Gardner <ionathan.gardner@med.va.gov>. Primary Care Provider ANP Randi Schmeling <randi.schmeling@med.va.gov>. Cardiologist Dr Karl Kern <a href="mailto:kernk@email.arizona.edu">kernk@email.arizona.edu</a>, "Paula S." <paula.newsome@va.gov</p> timothy.mueller@med.va.gov

Cc: Congressman Ron Barber <patty.valera@mail.house.gov>

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n reviewing Mr. O'Connell's records it was determined that he does not have a telephone. Ms Schaeffer did contact his daughter Ms. Kate Simmons on June 7, 2013. Ms. Schaeffer confirmed that, Mr. O'Connell is receiving medications from the Consolidated Medication Outpatient Pharmacy and/or the SAVAHCS. He is also receiving medication from the Northern VA Health Care System (NAVAHCS). Ms Simmons was surprised that her father was still concerned about his prescriptions, as he had recently told her that he had resolved the issue. Ms. Schaeffer provided Ms. Simmons with her contact information if any issues with his medication arise.

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Jonathan Gardner, MPA, FACHE

Director

Southern Arizona VA Health Care System"

(From Kate Simmons' letter of September 18, 2013, to Director Jonathan Gardner. Black bold is original letter) Kate Simmons

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Dear Director Gardner,

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Reference for accusations (Red bold is mine)

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Sincerely,

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Randi Schmeling MS, RNP, ANP, BC"

I do not understand how your refusal to answer obvious questions such (1) Why was my medicine stopped?, and (2) Have my medicine prescriptions been renewed?, becomes my misuse of secure messaging. Your threat of suspending me from secure messaging is serious. I'm not sure what to do about it. Sincerely, Anthony OConnell 7637"

### (2) Coordinator Paula Newsome:

(From Anthony OConnell's letter of May 17, 2013, to Paula Newsome)

"Dear Paula Newsome, My HealtheVet Coordinator:

Fri, May 17,2013 at 1:17 PM

I received your letter dated May 13, 2013 (I received two copies, once on May 15(?) and once on May 17.) and quote it below for reference:

"Dear Mr. O'Connell,

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Sincerely, Paula S. Newsome

My HealtheVet Coordinator"

This letter is not true. Please send me a copy of any evidence that would support the charges in this letter. Thank you.

Sincerely, Anthony O'Connell, 7637"

### (3) Dr Timothy Mueller:

(From Dr Timothy Mueller's October 25, 2013, email to Anthony O'Connell) "Dear Mr. O'Connell:

It is important that this facility is a safe environment for all patients and staff. Safe health care is based on mutual respect between provider and patient. We take disrespectful behavior and unauthorized use ofinternal communication systems seriously at the Southern Arizona VA Health Care System, whether towards your provider, other VA staffmembers or fellow patients.

It was reported to the Disruptive Behavior Committee that you are abusing MyHealtheVet secure messaging and stafftelephone voice mail. It was also reported to the committee that you are inappropriately using internal Outlook messaging to address clinical concerns. Outlook is not secure and will not be used to address clinical topics. This behavior must stop. The committee is composed of clinicians and administrative representatives. After reviewing this incident, the committee has recommended this letter be sent to you. Behavior of this nature in the future could lead to further actions.

Our goal is to provide high quality health care in a safe and caring environment for you as well as everyone else. I hope you will heed this warning and manage your behavior appropriately. If you have any questions, please call Sally Petty, RN, 520-792-1450, extension 6402. Sincerely,

Timothy I. Mueller, MD

Chair, Disruptive Behavior Committee

Acting Chief, Mental Health Care Line

Southern Arizona VA Health Care System

Enclosed: Patient's Rights and Responsibilities"

(From Anthony OConnell's letter of October 26 to Dr Mueller)

"Dear Dr. Timothy Mueller:

I received your certified letter of October 25, 2013. If you are saying that it is against the rules to email the VA would you please state the rule?

If you are accusing me of "disrespectful behavior" or "disruptive behavior" would you please identify it? Please be specific.

Why not just expose the medicine trails, recognize the breaks, and send me my medicines like you send other veterans their medicines?

Thank you.

Anthony OConnell 7637"

(From Dr Timothy Mueller's November 12, 2013, email to Anthony O'Connell)

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"This is not a secure means to address your concerns. Since it is not secure, VA staff are not able to use it to address the issues you raise. Please stop using it.

You need to use Secure Messaging through MyHealtheVet for this type of communication. In addition please contact Sally Petty, RN, at 520 792-1450 to address your concerns in a comprehensive manner.

Thanks for your working within our constraints. They have been developed to preserve the confidentiality and privacy of the Veterans that we serve.

Timothy Mueller MD
Chief Mental Health Care Line
SAVAHCS
3601 S 6th Avenue (4-116A)
Tucson, AZ 85723
520-792-1450 x5525

timothy.mueller@va.gov"

### Reference for using daughter

(From Director Jonathan Gardner's letter of June 13. 2013, to Congressman Ron Barber. Red bold italics are mine) "Dear Congressman Barber:

This is in response to your inquiry dated June 3, 2013, on behalf of Mr. Anthony Miner

O'Connell, who contacted your office regarding his medication renewals from the Southern Arizona VA Health Care System (SAVAHCS). I asked Ms. Bernadette Schaeffer, Outpatient Pharmacy Program Manager to review your request.

In reviewing Mr. O'Connell's records it was determined that he does not have a telephone. Ms Schaeffer did contact his daughter Ms. Kate Simmons on June 7, 2013. Ms. Schaeffer confirmed that, Mr. O'Connell is receiving medications from the Consolidated Medication Outpatient Pharmacy and/or the SAVAHCS. He is also receiving medication from the Northern VA Health Care System (NAVAHCS). Ms Simmons was surprised that her father was still concerned about his prescriptions, as he had recently told her that he had resolved the issue. Ms. Schaeffer provided Ms. Simmons with her contact information if any issues with his medication arise.

The SAVAHCS strives to provide quality and compassionate care to all of our Veterans. We are very concerned with patient care and the satisfaction of the Veterans we serve. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter, please contact Ms. Bernadette Schaeffer at (520) 792-1450, extension 5394. Sincerely.

Jonathan Gardner, MPA, FACHE

Director

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Southern Arizona VA Health Care System"

(From Kate Simmons' letter of September 18, 2013, to Director Jonathan Gardner. Black bold is original letter)
"Kate Simmons

411 Myra Way

San Francisco, CA 94127

September 18, 2013

Director Jonathan Gardner

Southern Arizona VA Health Care System (SAVAHCS)

3601 South 6th Avenue

Tucson, AZ 85723

Reference: Telephone call of June 7, 2013, concerning Anthony OConnell, last four

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Dear Director Gardner,

Bam trying to remember a telephone call I received from your office on June 7, 2013: I was driving in traffic and was distracted. Would you please tell me the purpose and

content of the call? If you recorded it please send me a transcript.

If you contact me again concerning Anthony O'Connell please do it by letter

with a copy to Anthony O'Connell, and not by telephone. Thank you.

Sincerely, Kate Simmons

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(From Kate Simmons' email of October 9, 2013, to Anthony OConnell)

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Timeline:

2013.06.03 Congressman Barber's letter to the Director

2013.06.07 \*Director's telephone call to my daughter

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2013.10.09 \*Director's telephone call to my daughter

2013.11.14 \*Director's telephone call to my daughter

### Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

To Kate Simmons ksimmons92270 < ksimmons92270@yahoo.com>

Mon, Nov 18, 2013 at 4:52 AM

Dear Kate,

This is for your information. Feel free to email the VA (with a copy to me please) any time. I hate it that the element in the VA is dragging you into this

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### Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Mon, Nov 18, 2013 at 5:31 AM

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Dear Pharmacist Ford, Director Gardner, Provider Schmeling, Coordinator Newsome, Cardiologist Dr Kern, and Dr Mueller:

If you received emails from me within the last hour that somehow got connected to an email chain with my daughter I apologize for the mistake.

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## Please release my medicine and my Power of Attorney for Health Care and Living Will

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Cc. Congressman Ron Barber <patty.valera@mail.house.gov>, Kate Simmons ksimmons92270 <ksimmons92270@yahoo.com>, Senator John McCain <suzanne.hernandez@mail.senate.gov>

Dear Pharmacist Ford, Director Gardner, and others:

I don't know what else I can do to get my medicine and Power of Attorney for Health Care and Living Will released except to keep asking you for it. Again, why not just treat me like other veterans and not put us all through this?

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Thank you.

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Reference for withholding Power of Attorney

(April 13, 2013, provider Schmeling to Anthony OConnell)
ANP Randi Schmeling:

Withdrawing Living Will. Early on we agreed that you would have my original living will transferred from Prescott to Green Valley because I wanted to withdraw it. Has that been done and may I come to the clinic and get it? If you don't have it would you please get it and send it to me? Thank you.

Anthony O'Connell 7637

(May 2, 2013, 9:31 am, Anthony OConnell to provider Schmeling)

Dear ANP Randi Schmeling:

Please explain why my medicine stopped. Because of my health and my income stopping my VA medicine is a virtual death sentence.

Please return my original living will. I rescind my living will. I don't understand why you won't return it.

What is your intent?

Sincerely, Anthony O'Connell 7637

### (May 2, 2013, 5:56 pm, social worker Donna Dunklin to Anthony OConnell)

Dear Mr. O'Connell,

Pam the social worker at the Green Valley VA Clinic and am writing to respond regarding your living will. It is my understanding that you gave your living will to the Prescott Clinic. We do not have your original living will here and there is no record of a living will in your chart.

We do not keep documents at the clinic. When we receive a document we note it in the electronic chart and send it to Medical Records in Tucson for scanning. You might try the Prescott Clinic or their main office which I believe is in Phoenix.

Thank you for your service and feel free to call me if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

Dear

Donna Dunklin LCSW

(May 6, 2013, 4:27 pm, Anthony OConnell to provider Schmeling)
ANP Randi Schmeling:

- (1) Please release my medicine now. Withholding my VA medicine, because of my health and income, will kill me. Do you understand?
- (2) Please return my living will now [VA Form 10-0137 "VA Advance directive: Durable power of attorney for Health Care and Living Will"]. I don't understand why I can't get it back. I have asked for months. I rescind my living will. Please return the original to me.

Please respond. Please take an accountable position so that all concerned can rely upon it. Thank you.

Anthony O'Connell 7637

(May 7, 2013, provider Schmeling to Anthony OConnell)

- 術) your medicine is due for release; you can go to main VA since you do not have a phone get it.
- 2) For the last time-social work has addressed the advance directive issue. I do not have a copy-you can go to the Release of Information office at the main VA and they may have access to it.

(May 8, 2013, 10:44 am, Anthony OConnell to provider Schmeling)

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Thank you.

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(May 8, 2013, 1:23 pm, Fabian Cauldwell to Anthony OConnell)

Mr. Oconnel

Your medication was sent out to you, you will receive it in the mail.

ANP Schmeling does not have your "will" she does not keep any patient records in her

office. Please refrain from continuing to ask her for this. You can contact the main facility at (520)792-1450 if you have questions regarding your "will".

I am also asking that you use this service to ask general question only and if you need to

schedule an appointment to see ANP Schmeling you can call our clinic at (520)399-2291.

Thank you and have a good day

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(May 9, 2013, 1:34 pm, provider Schmeling to Anthony OConnell)

Dear ANTHONY MINER OCONNELL,

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This letter is to address your misuse of secure messaging. You have written the same thing over 6 times and we have sent you the answer as many times. You MUST

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Wed, Nov 20, 2013 at 10:33 AM

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This is not a secure means to address your concerns. Since it is not secure, VA staff are not able to use it to address the issues you raise. Please stop using it.

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Thanks for your working within our constraints. They have been developed to preserve the confidentiality and privacy of the Meterans that we serve.

Timothy Mueller MD

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Chief Mental Health Care Line

SAVAHCS

3601 S 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue (4-116A)

Tucson, AZ 85723

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Sent: Wednesday, November 20, 2013 10:34 AM

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Thank you for your service and feel free to call me if you have further questions.

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(May 6, 2013, 4:27 pm, Anthony OConnell to provider Schmeling)

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(May 7, 2013, provider Schmeling to Anthony OConnell)

- nedicine is due for release; you can go to main VA since you do not have a phone get it.
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(May 8, 2013, 10:44 am, Anthony OConnell to provider Schmeling)

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(May 8, 2013, 1:23 pm, Fabian Cauldwell to Anthony OConnell)

Mr. Oconnel

Your medication was sent out to you, you will receive it in the mail.

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Thank you and have a good day

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(May 9, 2013, 1:34 pm, provider Schmeling to Anthony OConnell)

Dear ANTHONY MINER OCONNELL,

Progress Notes

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Prescott Clinic or their main office which I believe is in Phoenix.

Thank you for your service and feel free to call me if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

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Donna Dunklin LCSW

(May 6, 2013, 4:27 pm, Anthony OConnell to provider Schmeling)

ANP Randi Schmeling:

(1) Please release my medicine now. Withholding my VA medicine, because of my health and income, will kill me. Do you understand?

(2) Please return my living will now [VA Form 10-0137 "VA Advance directive: Durable power of attorney for Health Care and Living Will"]. I don't understand why I can't get it back. I have asked for months. I rescind my living will.

Please respond. Please take an accountable position so that all concerned can rely upon it. Thank you. Anthony O'Connell 7637

(May 7, 2013, provider Schmeling to Anthony OConnell)

your medicine is due for release; you can go to main VA since you do not have a phone get it.

For the last time-social work has addressed the advance directive issue. I do not have a copy-you can go to the Release of Information office at the main VA and they may have access to it.

(May 8, 2013, 10:44 am, Anthony OConnell to provider Schmeling)

Dear ANP Randi Schmeling:

(1) Please explain why my medicine was stopped. Because of my health and income stopping my VA medicine will kill me. Do you understand? Please release my medicine.

(2) Please return my original living will [VA Form 10-0137 "VA Advance directive: Durable power of attorney for Health Care and Living Will"]. I rescind my living will. Please return my original living will to me. Did you decide on your own to stop my medicine and not return my living will or were you instructed to do so?

Thank you.

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(May 8, 2013, 1:23 pm, Fabian Cauldwell to Anthony OConnell)

Mr. Oconnel

Your medication was sent out to you, you will receive it in the mail.

ANP Schmeling does not have your "will" she does not keep any patient records in her

office. Please refrain from continuing to ask her for this. You can contact the main facility at (520)792-1450 if you have questions regarding your "will".

I am also asking that you use this service to ask general question only and if you need to

schedule an appointment to see ANP Schmeling you can call our clinic at (520)399-2291.

Thank you and have a good day

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(May 9, 2013, 1:34 pm, provider Schmeling to Anthony OConnell)

Dear ANTHONY MINER OCONNELL,

Progress Notes

This letter is to address your misuse of secure messaging. You have written the same thing over 6 times and we have sent you the answer as many times. You MUST

stop doing this. Your medications are not being withheld, they are being sent out. We have told you how to contact Release of Information each time regarding the copy of your advanced directives as we do not have access to them. The MSA, the social worker, pharmacist and I have all responded to you numerous times. If you do not stop misusing secure messaging, I will have to request from the overseer of secure messaging contact you and if necessary suspend your secure messaging. Sincerely,

Randi Schmeling MS, RNP, ANP, BC

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(May 13, 2013, Paula Newsome to Anthony OConnell)

Dear Mr. O'Connell.

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When you opted in to the VA's Secure Messaging program through your My HealtheVet account, you agreed to specific terms and conditions for the use of that program (see

attached). The purpose of this letter is to notify you in writing that you have violated those terms and conditions by sending excessive number of messages. If your inappropriate use of the VA's Secure Messaging program does not cease, actions may be taken to block you from the program.

If you continue to demonstrate inappropriate use of Secure Messaging, a request to block your usage will be presented to the Southern Arizona VA Health Care System (SAVAHCS) My HealtheVet Workgroup. If the workgroup makes a recommendation in favor of blocking your use, you will be notified by letter, which will include information on how you can appeal the decision. We sincerely hope you will make the choice to abide by the rules of Secure Messaging so that you can continue to enjoy the convenience of the program. If you have any questions about the content of this letter, please contact me at (520) 792-1450 ext. 6889.

Sincerely, Paula S. Newsome My HealtheVet Coordinator

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(May 13, 2013, 7:08 pm, Anthony OConnell to social worker Donna Dunklin) Dear Donna Dunklin LCSW.

I went to release of information at the Tucson VA today to get my living will. They told me I had to make an appointment with the social worker in Green Valley to get my living will out of the system. If that is agreeable with you, just tell me when I can see you. If you have any questions please contact Rosemary Hernandez at Release of Information.

(May 15, 2013, Anthony OConnell to social worker Donna Dunklin) This message is for Donna Dunklin LCSW.

Dear Donna Dunklin LCSW.

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(May 16, 2013, social worker Donna Dunklin)

Mr. O'Connell,

I am sorry, but you received incorrect information at the Tucson VA. I spoke directly with the Director of Medical Records who told me that they do not keep any hard copy records at all. They scan everything that they receive and put it in your electronic record. They destroy all hard copies after 90 days. I repeat there is NO living will in your electronic chart here at SAVAHCS, which indicates that they never received a paper copy of a Living Will for you. If you are concerned about Prescott having your Living Will in their chart, you need to contact them.

Sincerely,

Donna Dunklin, LCSW

(July 12, 2013, Director Jonathan Gardner to Senator John McCain)

The Honorable John McCain

United States Senator

407 West Congress Street, Suite 103

Rucson, AZ 85701

Attn: Suzanne Hernandez

Dear Senator McCain:

In Reply Refer To: 678/0-002A

This is in response to your letter dated June 19,2013, regarding your constituent,

Mr. Anthony OConnell and his concerns at the Green Valley Community Based Outpatient Clinic (CBOC) of the Southern Atizona VA Health Care System (SAVAHCS). I requested that Mr. John Altevers, Administrative Officer, Community Clinics Care Line, address his concerns.

Mr. OConnell expressed several concerns in his letter to you but specifically asked questions about his prescription renewals, his treatment, and obtaining his living will. Mr. OConnell's current medications were not stopped and were refilled promptly at his request since October 2012. Many medications are renewed annually. In order for Mr. OConnell to obtain further medication refills, he can schedule an appointment with his provider at the Green Valley CBOC by calling (520) 399-2291.

If Mr. OConnell needs refills prior to October 2013; he should contact the pharmacy refill line, at (520) 470-8262 and select option four. Mr. OConnell also contacted his provider several times asking that his living will be returned to him. He was advised each time to contact the Release of Information (ROI) office located at the main VA hospital to obtain his living will, as it is not available at the clinic. Mr. OConnell can reach the ROI office at (520) 792-1450, extension 6923.

These are standard VA procedures and all Veterans are provided the same guidance to receive medication refills and to obtain topies of their computerized medical information.

The SAVAHCS strives to provide quality and compassionate care to all of our Veterans. We are very concerned with patient care and the satisfaction of the Veterans we serve. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Mr. John Altevers at (520) 792-1450, extension 4042.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Gardner, MPA, PANCHE:

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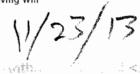
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To:

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Message ID#: 185276485

Subject:

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General Inquiry

Your medications have refills and are about to be sent out. You will need to make an appointment with the replacement provider after the first of the year for renewals as I am retiring November 27. The provider will need to meet you in order to extend refills beyond February. The new provider is not yet here but is expected after the first of the year. Please contact the clinic after January first to see if an appointment can be scheduled.

Again, please do not use VA email to communicate issues as this is not safe for you. Use secure messaging only. We have answered your other concerns re the living will in the past. You may meet with the social worker to establish a new living will with your current wishes by scheduling an appointment with her.

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To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 26, 2013 at 8:49 AM

Please read your secure message re your meds.

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Sent: Tuesday, November 26, 2013 4:03 AM

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This is not a secure means to address your concerns. Since it is not secure, VA staff are not able to use it to address the issues you raise. Please stop using it.

You need to use Secure Messaging through MyHealtheVet for this type of communication. In addition please contact Sally Petty, RN, at 520 792-1450 to address your concerns in a comprehensive manner.

Thanks for your working within our constraints. They have been developed to preserve the confidentiality and privacy of the Veterans that we serve.

Timothy Mueller MD

Chief Mental Health Care Line

**SAVAHCS** 

3601 S 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue (4-116A)

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Letters and email leave a record, telephoning does not. My daughter Kate Simmons believes what the VA representatives are telling her because it comes from the VA. This plants a wedge between me and my daughter.

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- (10) My assigned provider retired on November 27, 2013:

"I refilled your meds with just one refill as I will be retiring November 27. When you are on your last refill, you will need to make an appointment with your new provider."

As you know I need a replacement provider to get my medicine. Will I get a replacement provider?

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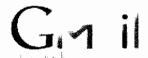
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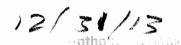
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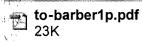
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To: Dr Kathleen Gibson <kathleen.gibson@med.va.gov>

Thu, Dec 26, 2013 at 6:58 PM

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Tue, Jan 28, 2014 at 3:18 PM

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Wed, Jan 29, 2014 at 1:30 PM

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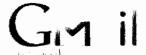
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Sat, Feb 1, 2014 at 11:34 PM

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Cc: Congressman Ron Barber <patty.valera@mail.house.gov>

Date: Sat, 1 Feb 2014 23:34:33 -0700

Subject: [EXTERNAL] This is is an emergency. Please send me my medicine and provide a provider: Please

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Sun, Feb 2, 2014 at 9:06 AM

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520-792-1450, extension 6402.

Sincerely,

Timothy I. Mueller, MD

Chair, Disruptive Behavior Committee

Acting Chief, Mental Health Care Line Southern Arizona VA Health Care System Enclosed: Patient's Rights and Responsibilities (From Dr Timothy Mueller's October 25, 2013, certified letter to Anthony O'Connell)

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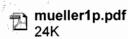
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- 3. Why, on October 1, 2013, did Dr Lanada of Cardiology enter into my prescription activity for the first time and prescribe Atorvastatin in place of Simvastatin for me against my wishes? Why was he so insistent that I get an angiogram? I have never been advised to get an angiogram since my open heart surgery in 2003. Why want to stick something into my heart now?
- 4. Why is it so important to you, Director Gardner, that you withhold my medicine and Power of Attorney and not give me a provider? What is your intent? Are you not returning my Power of Attorney so you can use it to legally protect yourself from the coming consequences of withholding my medicines?
- 5. Pharmacist Ford, why do you refuse to monitor my warfarin? Why have you not said or written one word to me in years? Why do you remain silent?
- 6. Why the extreme avoidance of accountability?

Fdon't understand Dr Mueller's October 25, 2013, certified letter to me:

"Dear Mr. O'Connell:

It was reported to the Disruptive Behavior Committee that you are abusing MyHealtheVet secure messaging and staff telephone voice mail. It was also reported to the committee that you are inappropriately using internal Outlook messaging to address clinical concerns. Outlook is not secure and will not be used to address clinical topics. This behavior must stop. The committee is composed of clinicians and administrative representatives. After reviewing this incident, the committee has recommended this letter be sent to you. Behavior of this nature in the future could lead to further actions.

(From Dr Timothy Mueller's October 25, 2013, certified letter to Anthony O'Connell. Please see the attachment "mueller1p")

1. Please describe exactly what the accusations are against me and show the evidence. Please be specific. Who, what, when, and where

I don't understand the Director's June 13, 2013, letter to Congressman Barber:

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In reviewing Mr. O'Connell's records it was determined that he does not have a telephone. Ms Schaeffer did contact his daughter Ms. Kate Simmons on June 7, 2013. Ms. Schaeffer confirmed that, Mr. O'Connell is receiving medications from the Consolidated Medication Outpatient Pharmacy and/or the SAVAHCS. He is also receiving medication from the Northern VA Health Care System (NAVAHCS). Ms Simmons was surprised that her father was still concerned about his prescriptions, as he had recently told her that he had resolved the issue. Ms. Schaeffer provided Ms. Simmons with her contact information if any issues with his medication arise.

(From Director Gardner's letter of of June 13, 2012, to Congressman Barber) Please see the attachment "usedaughter4p"

- 1. Why call my daughter in California which makes it appear that the Director can't communicate with me? Why plant wedges between my daughter and me?
- 2. Why use my daughter to make me look bad?
- 3. The medicines I received from SAVAHCS on May 9, 2013, and the medicines I received from NAVAHCS in three installments beginning on May 1, 2013, said "Refill 4 of 4" (or 5 of 5 in one case) and "Last Refill". But there was no fill 1, 2, or 3. Why make one fill sent appear as if 4 fills were sent?

Director Gardner, please stop making it appear that you don't know what the problem is: please stop making it appear that the withholding of my medicine and power of attorney is my fault: why not just treat me like other veterans and not put us all through this?

Please respond. Thank you.

Anthony OConnell 7637

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### This is an emergency.

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Sun, Feb 9, 2014 at 11:55 PM

To: "Tucson Dr. Marjorie Ford Pharmacist" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, Director Jonathan Gardner <jonathan.gardner@med.va.gov>, Cardiologist Dr Karl Kern <kernk@email.arizona.edu>, Dr Timothy Mueller <timothy.mueller@med.va.gov>, Dr John Nanson <john.nanson@med.va.gov>, "Pharmacist, Prescott, Dr. Joseph P. Rindone" <joseph.rindone@va.gov>, Dr Kathleen Gibson <kathleen.gibson@med.va.gov> Cc: Congressman Ron Barber <paty.valera@mail.house.gov>

Dear Pharmacist Marjorie Ford, Director Jonathan Gardner, Dr. Mueller, and Dr. Kathleen Gibson, and others:

Please tell me why my medicine is being withheld Why can't I get a provider? Why can't I get the power of attorney I gave the VA out of the VA records? Why treat me differently from other veterans? Please respond.

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### This is an emergency

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Mon. Feb 10, 2014 at 10:51 AM

To: Director Jonathan Gardner < jonathan.gardner@med.va.gov>, "Tucson Dr. Marjorie Ford Pharmacist" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, Cardiologist Dr Karl Kern <kernk@email.arizona.edu>, Dr John Nanson <john.nanson@med.va.gov>, "Pharmacist, Prescott, Dr. Joseph P. Rindone" <joseph.rindone@va.gov>, Dr Timothy Mueller <timothy.mueller@med.va.gov>, Dr Kathleen Gibson <kathleen.gibson@med.va.gov>, Congressman Ron Barber <patty.valera@mail.house.gov>

Dear Congressman Barber, Phàrmacist Marjorie Ford, Director Jonathan Gardner, Dr. Mueller, and Dr. Kathleen Gibson, and others:

⊬lease tell me why my medicine is being withheld and why l can't get a primary care provider? Does cornmon sense not show that the withholding of my VA health care when I live on the poverty line and can't get health care elsewhere will kill me?

Why am I treated differently from other veterans? Why are there, for example, upon information and belief, at least ten I wears of character assassinations against me in the VA records which I can't defend myself against because of "security"? Why can't I get hard copies? There should be a reason for these character assassinations. What is it?

A. Why does Director Gardner's letter to Congressman Ron Barber of June 13, 2013, prevail over the continuing revidence of "O refills remaining" in the VA's own records? Please see the attachment "usedaughter4p". Why the extreme avoidance of accountability? Why can't I get back the power of attorney I gave the VA? Why does power 

⊲Please respond.

Sincerely, Anthony OConnell 7637

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### This is an emergency

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Tue, Feb 11, 2014 at 8:37 AM

To: "Tucson Dr. Marjorie Ford Pharmacist" <marjorie.ford@med.va.gov>, Director Jonathan Gardner <jonathan.gardner@med.va.gov>, Congressman Ron Barber <patty.valera@mail.house.gov>, Dr Timothy Mueller <timothy.mueller@med.va.gov>, Dr Kathleen Gibson <kathleen.gibson@med.va.gov>, Dr John Nanson <john.nanson@med.va.gov>, "Pharmacist, Prescott, Dr. Joseph P. Rindone" <joseph.rindone@va.gov>, Cardiologist Dr Karl Kern <kerrik@email.arizona.edu>

Dear Congressman Barber, Pharmacist Marjorie Ford, Director Jonathan Gardner, Dr. Mueller, and Dr. Kathleen Gibson, and others:

Please tell me why my medicine is being withheld and why I can't get a primary care provider? Does common sense not show that the withholding of my VA health care when I live on the poverty line and can't get health care elsewhere will kill me?

Why am I treated differently from other veterans? Why are there, for example, upon information and belief, at least ten years of character assassinations against me in the VA records which I can't defend myself against because of "security"? Why can't I get hard copies? There should be a reason for these character assassinations. What is it?

Mhy does Director Gardner's letter to Congressman Ron Barber of June 13, 2013, prevail over the continuing "O refills remaining" in the VA's own records? This is a virtual death sentence for me. Please see the attachment "usedaughter4p".

Please remove the secrecy and respond.

Sincerely, Anthony OConnell 7637

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### **Medicine for Anthony OConnell**

**Anthony OConnell** <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> To: joori.plateau@med.va.gov

Fri, Feb 14, 2014 at 4:56 AM

Dear Dr Plateau,

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Thank you for renewing my prescriptions but (1) I still can't actually get my medicines because the empty boxes that have to be selected on the VA website https://www.myhealth.va.gov do not appear, and (2) my medicines are only Greatenewed for 2 fills (1 fill in one case) and not the normal 4.

I live on the poverty line and can't afford to buy my meds on the outside. If I can't get them through the VA I can't get them and I'm dead.

Would you please do whatever it takes for me to get my medicine like other veterans? This is an emergency.

Sincerely, Anthony OConnell 7637



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### Requesting meds through myhealthyvet

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Sun, Feb 16, 2014 at 3:27 AM

To: "Newsome, Paula S." <paula.newsome@va.gov>

Cc: joori.plateau@med.va.gov

Dear Paula Newsome

My prescriptions have been renewed but I still can't get my medicine because the empty boxes that I have to select don't appear .Can you fix that?

Thank you.