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YouTube suspends Ron Johnson for a week after GOP senator touts questionable drugs to fight covid-19 | The Washington Post

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YouTube has suspended Sen. Ron Johnson from uploading videos for one week after the Wisconsin Republican's account shared a clip in which he touted the supposed benefits of hydroxychloroquine and another drug in fighting covid-19.

According to Fox News Channel, a YouTube spokesperson said the video was in violation of Google's policy against medical misinformation.

"We removed the video in accordance with our COVID-19 medical misinformation policies, which don't allow content that encourages people to use Hydroxychloroquine or Ivermectin to treat or prevent the virus," the spokesperson said, according to Fox News.

YouTube did not immediately respond to a request for comment from The Washington Post

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