

Attention FDA

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It came to my attention that the FDA is being asked to take away my right to sign a medical waiver before purchasing a hearing aid. Instead I would be forced to have a medical exam or hearing test. Here's my views and/or experiences on several related questions?

1. Should I be forced to have a medical exam and/or hearing test before purchasing a hearing aid? If so, should the FDA pay for the exam?

yes I do believe if I am forced to have a medical exam for test before purchasing a hearing aid, as I am a senior citizen and a lot of senior citizens like myself cannot afford to do this.

2. Some people are physically unable to drive to a doctor or hearing specialist, or have had bad experiences they don't want to repeat. For instance

a lot of people that are having hearing problems do not drive and have a hard time getting a ride to get hearing aids, let alone to go to a dr.

3. Should the FDA take away my Constitutional Right, affirmed by the Supreme Court, to decide for myself my medical exams and treatment?

no they should not

4. Should I be allowed to purchase hearing aids by mail as I choose?

I should be allowed to purchase my hearing aids any way I can afford to do so.

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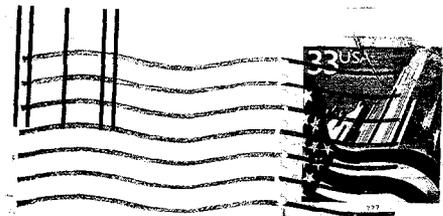
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