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To

The Food and Drug Administration

I am very concerned about your rule you are considering. "Suitable Determination for donors of human cellular and tissue based products"

This will cut down the number of eyes we donate and process in the Florida Eye Banks. I do not think the additionally screening is necessary.

The Florida eye banks has retrieved, screened, processed more than 25,000 corneas, totally free, under Florida statute 732.99185 due to the co-operation of South Florida Medical examiners. There has never been any evidence of "Creutzfeld Jacob Disease" in any of these cases.

We think the present rules are suitable.

Thank you,

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