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?

No - my decision -
Need more money for the elderly in Social Security - take care of current plans first

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 ...

The elderly have a younger person to take them to the Dr. - should be able to go to whom ever & when ever they feel the need.

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

No - I should be able to decide for myself.

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

Yes - for the difference in price for the same product.

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