

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?

I WOULD RECOMMEND A MEDICAL EXAM BUT DON'T THINK IT SHOULD BE LEGISLATED.

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 ...

I PERSONALLY KNOW PEOPLE INCLUDING MYSELF HAVE BAD EXPERIENCES WITH SPECIALISTS & AUDIOLOGISTS OVER THE YEARS. ONCE THEY GET YOUR \$ FOR THE AIDS - NOT MUCH CONCERN FOR FOLLOW-UP.

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

NO - ALREADY GOVT IS TRYING TO MAKE TOO MANY FOR US -

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

By ALL MEANS!

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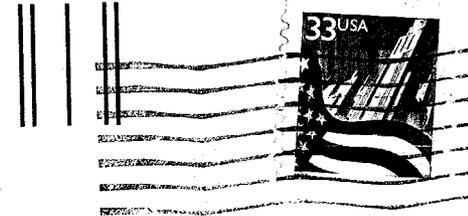
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