

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! IT should be my decision whether to get an exam or test before buying hearing aids. If forced to do so, then those pushing for this rule should pay for required exams/tests.

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 ... my brother is currently trying to get a hearing aid from a local retailer, and having many problems.

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

NO!

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

YES!

I have purchased three aids by mail. All have, and many years later, still do work very well. I saved many hundreds of dollars by doing it this way.

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