

# 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? *No* If so, should the FDA pay for the exam? *yes*

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 can drive as yet, but go with a walker. Who would carry my walker up steps? Would there be reasonable Handicap parking?*

3. Should the FDA take away my Constitutional Right, affirmed by the Supreme Court, to decide for myself my medical exams and treatment? *No*

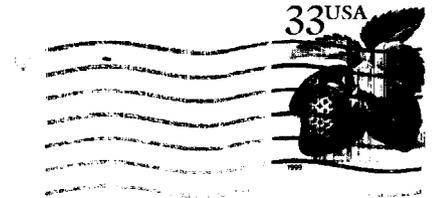
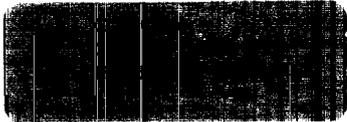
4. Should I be allowed to purchase hearing aids by mail as I choose? *yes*

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