

# 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 have had tests since 1978 and worn hearing aids since the first test. I've been wearing aids ordered directly from Excel for several years and find they are fine for me and cost considerably less. which is a big help to a person need*

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 ...

*at 92 years of age. mail order is a godsend*

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 please*

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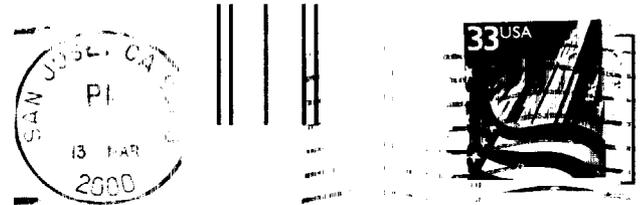
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