

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 purchased hearing aid for several years without any test - If you cant hear you dont need a test to know it.

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 ...

Hearing aid dealers will give a free test and then they want you to pay from \$800⁰⁰ up to \$4500 for hearing aids. I went by mail cost less than 300⁰⁰ & work fine.

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

I dont want any more government controls - FDA or any other.

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

I have always purchased my hearing aids by mail with a money back guarantee. I am well satisfied and I can hear with them and the cost is about 10% of what the audiologist want to charge me.

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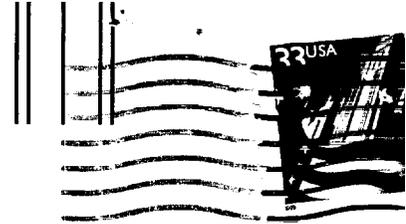
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