Attention FDA

0363 '00 MAY -4 A11:02 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?

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 TRIED 3 DIFFERENT AIDS "FITTED" BY A SPECIALIST - NONE WAS WHAT I NEEDED - ANDTHER AUDIOLOGISTS REFUSED TO SELL" ME JUST ONE - ONLY THO HOULD BE CONSIDERED BY HER- THOUGH MY HEARING
SEEMED IMPAIRED ON ONE EAR ONLY,

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 DID AND AM VERY SATISFIED

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