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 **Re: I think somebody needs to get a hearing aide ...**
(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?topic=40100.msg41117#msg41117>)
« **Reply #30 on:** September 07, 2002, 01:06:12 AM »

(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=1472>) More importantly, silicone implants are the vast minority these days. Most everyone has saline. So who the hell cares about silicone anyway?

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Seelie
(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=1472>)

Hmm, I guess I'm not as omniscient as I thought.

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 **Re: I think somebody needs to get a hearing aide ...**
(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?topic=40100.msg41129#msg41129>)
« **Reply #31 on:** September 07, 2002, 03:23:06 AM »

(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=585>) The FDA become more involved with junk science because of the public's anti-science, anti-reason attitude and because Congress took away the FDA's ability to regulate many drugs, therefore increasing the number of junk drugs in circulation.

Lesbian Bob
(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=585>)


How fast do the Europeans approve new devices and drugs compared to the FDA? The British haven't been faster, overall.

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As for socialized medicine being at fault, Europe has more socialization in the delivery of care but actually much less when it comes to the development of new drugs. But in the U.S. the vast majority of important drugs that people think were invented by private companies were actually invented under federal contract, often at public universities, yet for some reason the private companies involved were awarded the patents.

Private companies then invent variations of those drugs to get around the patents of their competitors.


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 **Re: the FDA** (<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?topic=40100.msg41135#msg41135>)
« **Reply #32 on:** September 07, 2002, 06:19:08 AM »

(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=860>)
melonie_charm
(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=860>)

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(www.meloniecharm.com)

Like some of you, I also have a medical background (Respiratory Therapy). Before catching the BE bug I spent several years around hospitals, surgeons etc., and I'm somewhat familiar with the accreditation concept. In regard to the implication that a particular surgeon being accredited by a particular 'Board' is somehow related to extraordinary talents or skill level in the operating room, or a particular surgeon not being accredited by a particular 'Board' is somehow related to lack of talent or skill in the operating room, IMHO this is definitely not the case.

In the field of Plastic Surgery there is one particular 'Board', the ASPRS, which professes to be the end all and be all. I have found that ASPRS members tend to be the ones that decide that women don't need implants bigger than 500cc, tend to totally avoid any procedures which involve innovation or risk (even though the patient is willing to accept the risk), tend to do surgery surrounded by hospital staffs & emergency facilities at much higher cost to the patient, in other words doing everything 'by the book'. ASPRS members also tend to be the ones who maintain 'million dollar offices' and drive Ferraris and Mercedes.


again IMHO girls who are interested in large breast implants should actually question using an ASPRS member. I'm not saying that ASPRS members cannot be very skilled surgeons. What I am saying is that the conservative low risk philosophy of the ASPRS is in direct conflict with large breast implants.

In regard to personal opinions on the FDA, like any other government body they are trying to serve the greater good of the entire population. However, this philosophy can lead to great difficulty when the pool of people affected by an FDA approval (or lack of approval) is small. For years this kept 'Orphan Drugs' off the US markets for lack of financial backing of the testing and approval process for these drugs, even though a small segment of the population needed those 'Orphan Drugs' badly. This is the same situation which exists today with string implants - the segment of the population who would benefit is tiny but the testing and approval costs are huge. However I doubt that Congress would be willing to back a huge breast implant equivalent of the 'Orphan Drug' bill (publicly at least!). I'd be willing to lobby for one, though!

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 **Re: the FDA** (<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?topic=40100.msg41135#msg41135>)
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(<http://www.cashforge.com/banners/dz32ffu9bsb:520>)



Re: the FDA (<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?topic=40100.msg41145#msg41145>)
« Reply #33 on: September 07, 2002, 07:34:00 AM »

(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=769>)

Connoisseur
(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=769>)

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In reply to:

In regard to personal opinions on the FDA, like any other government body they are trying to serve the greater good of the entire population.

I have to disagree with you, Melonie. The FDA, like any bureaucracy, is primarily interested in the job security of its own employees.

The FDA, IMHO, kills more people than it saves. Here's why. If many people suffer and die because the FDA failed to approve a drug or procedure, the consequences to the organization are small. If, by contrast, people suffer and die because the FDA *did* approve a drug or procedure, there'll be hell to pay.

So the FDA, like its counterparts in other countries, acts to minimize its risk rather than maximize public gain. Were it acting to maximize public benefit, people would, from time to time, suffer and die as a consequence of FDA approvals. By assumption these negative consequences would be exceeded by benefits, in terms of reduced suffering and prolonged life, by other approval decisions.

Unfortunately these subtleties of cost-benefit analysis are lost on much of the voting public. Hence the FDA has adopted an ass-covering strategy of minimizing the negative consequences associated with its approvals and largely ignoring those associated with its denials.

I really don't think that the FDA's power to ban has any place in a free society. I wouldn't mind if instead of banning they merely required non-approved drugs and treatments to be prominently labeled with a skull and cross bones. But an outright ban assumes that some group of bureaucrats knows what's better for me than I do. By that reasoning, I might as well hand over my paycheck to them, so that they can use their superior knowledge to spend it on my behalf.

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Re: the FDA (<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?topic=40100.msg41190#msg41190>)
« Reply #34 on: September 07, 2002, 03:08:46 PM »

(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=1833>)

ninjrk
(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=1833>)

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Umm, I've got to disagree with you there. I deal with the FDA a lot, being part of the pharmaceutical/medical device industry. There's a fair amount that I'd like to change about the FDA regarding their review speed, acceptance of new techniques and technologies, and I'd really like them to finally get a Head of the FDA. That said, the idea that the FDA kills more people than it saves is, IMHO, foolish. If you can put together a good safety and efficacy testing package, you will get your drug approved. They will want to see what the moderate and sometimes long-term effects of the drug or material are. That's where the little guys like Doc Johnson fall down. They watch results for 6 months and pronounce it safe. Whoopy-freaking-doo. Take the string implants. It appears that mnay, if not most, of the women have low-grade implant rejections going on. That's kind of a bad thing, draining serum is an extension technique to try and keep the rejected implants in the body for longer periods, post-poning the

inevitable removal. If this is the case, they should never have been put in and proper testing might have given him feedback to better design them or abandon them entirely. Instead, we have lots of women who payed big bucks to get what appear to be essentially faulty implants.


The silicone implants are a case of politics. Large women's groups said that they were unsafe. The FDA said that they were fine. Those groups filed civil lawsuits and won on little evidence but much emotion. They then pressured their senators to get them outlawed, using those results as justification. Those senators and congressmen threatened the FDA with budget cuts, reorganization, and firings because the FDA obviously weren't doing their jobs and banning those horrible implants. Unsurprisingly, the FDA caved.

As for drugs, the FDA does a lot more than simply certify them as safe. They inspect fabrication and manufacturing plants to make sure that standards of purity are maintained, kind of an important thing since it's nice for the bottle to contain the drug that you wanted. The USSR and now Russia and China have tried the non-FDA tact, and it has resulted in a populace afraid to take drug therapies from their doctors because they don't know if it will harm them or not. People travel to different hospitals to try and take the same drug in the hopes that one will actually be supplied with one that's actually pure. People became millionaires creating contaminated tap-water that was sold as a cancer or HIV cure, when all it did was make them sicker.

The FDA acts as a clearing-house, ensuring that a reasonable degree of testing is performed on all drugs that you may be prescribed as well as making sure that the approved drugs are properly formulated. Without some kind of a body like them, every drug you took would be a crap-shoot. It would also be unlikely for even the established pharmaceuticals to maintain their high-level of testing, because that expense would no longer offer returns. All it would take is one company to drop most of their safety testing and get their drugs out for 1/3 the price (keep in mind, testing 1 drug for efficacy and safety costs about \$600,000,000 to \$800,000,000 dollars (yes, that's 600-800 million)) and the others would have to follow suit or go out of business. That's what the loss of the FDA would cause.

In addition, it's a nice myth that the FDA keeps all of these wonder drugs off of the market because the companies can't afford the testing. That's pure BS. Any company which can do the minimum safety and efficacy tests to show that a drug has some potential will have the major


pharmaceutical companies beating their door down to buy or liscence it. It's the ones whose data consists of "well, it ought to work and a friend of my mom said it cured her death" that go away.

Matt
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Be nice to everyone you meet, but have a plan to kill them if you have to.

"the only thing unnatural about my tits is how fucking amazing they are!" LOL



 **Re: the FDA (<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?topic=40100.msg41193#msg41193>)**
« **Reply #35 on:** September 07, 2002, 03:21:41 PM »

(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=93>) So, tell me why there are so few healthy things in Similac, and so many in Alpo???


Morphemor
(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=93>) **And I stare...**

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(<http://bearchive.com/~morphemor/>)





 **Re: the FDA (<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?topic=40100.msg41195#msg41195>)**
« **Reply #36 on:** September 07, 2002, 03:28:01 PM »

(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=670>) Because since life's a bitch and then you die, before you die, you should eat dog food? Like a bitch?


TheZookie007
(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=670>)
(Just a thought.)


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"When your city is French in origin, and your Mayor and Governor are Democrats, and those most affected by this natural disaster are Black, don't expect much help from Bush." -- Left of Y'all
(<http://web.archive.org/web/20060217114957/http://leftofyall.blogspot.com/2005/08/when-your-city-is-french-in-origin-and.html>) (and the link works now too! )



 **Re: the FDA (<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?topic=40100.msg41215#msg41215>)**
« **Reply #37 on:** September 07, 2002, 05:36:15 PM »

(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=1915>) My grand-dad (God rest his soul) used to say:
Life's a bitch, then you die.
People throw dirt on your face and piss on your grave,
Whink So what do you want? Sympathy?


(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=1915>)
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Had to get that out of my system...


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Thanks to Morphemor for the latest Avatar!

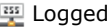


 **Re: the FDA (<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?topic=40100.msg41216#msg41216>)**
« **Reply #38 on:** September 07, 2002, 05:39:28 PM »

(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=1915>) But, back on topic now...
Does anyone know where or when the Asian String procedures will be going ahead? And, further to that, will some of the entertainers we know (like Crystal Gunns, Chritine Allure par example) who have announced their wish and/or intention to go larger consider a flight over there to get the procedure done? Any women around here care to answer?

Whink
(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=1915>)
ZZZ Cup

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Thanks to Morphemor for the latest Avatar!



Re: the FDA (<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?topic=40100.msg41218#msg41218>)
« Reply #39 on: September 07, 2002, 06:25:34 PM »

HUH? you like the (my) avatar? YOU, the best avatar creator. Or are you just playing with background colors.

tndvrs
(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=2010>)



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Re: the FDA (<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?topic=40100.msg41254#msg41254>)
« Reply #40 on: September 08, 2002, 01:53:07 AM »

I really wish that this wasn't OT, because I used to think pretty much they way you do on this topic, and it's worth discussing at length.

But, to be brief, I think that you're failing to realize that when assessing the effectiveness of the FDA, you've got to consider only those advantages that the FDA provides that are over and above those provided by a functioning tort system, a risk-averse population, a free market, and a free press.

Connoisseur
(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=769>)

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In societies with such institutions people won't -- even in the absence of an FDA -- keep guzzling Bob's Miracle Elixir, after the press reports that the stuff will kill you. Moreover, Bob will be sued out of existence. And would-be Bobs will be deterred. Sure the Elixir will kill a few people, but not as many as are killed by ill-conceived, feel-good "solutions" like the post-1962 FDA.

In 1962 the FDA's power was increased. Among other things, it was allowed to take as long as it wanted to make decisions. So its post-1962 approval times increased. If you just look at the lives lost due these delays -- i.e. pre 1962 vs. post 1962 -- it's staggering (hundreds of thousands of people).


Sure, I might be just chocked full of shit. You decide. But I think that everybody needs to examine the evidence (<http://www.fdareview.org/harm.shtml>) that the FDA isn't just obstructing the spread of huge boobs, it's also killing people.

By way of apologizing for going OT, I've attached an image of what 2nd generation string implants might look like, if only the FDA got out of the way.



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 **Re: I think somebody needs to get a hearing aide ...**
(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?topic=40100.msg41256#msg41256>)
« **Reply #41 on:** September 08, 2002, 02:14:08 AM »

(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=1909>)
Lesbian Bob: Congress took away some of the FDA's power to regulate?
I'm a news junkie so when did this happen. If it's true that's the frist time Congress limited any agency.


Catch
(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=1909>)

What is a junk drug? If you mean ineffective drugs those are pulled all the time. It's one of the few things the FDA has always been good at.


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If only...

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 **Re: I think somebody needs to get a hearing aide ...**
(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?topic=40100.msg41361#msg41361>)
« **Reply #42 on:** September 09, 2002, 01:25:17 AM »

(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=1472>)
In reply to:

Seelie
(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=1472>)

If it's true that's the frist time Congress limited any agency.

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Not even remotely true. For the most public example ever, think of the repeal of prohibition removing 1/3 of the ATF's job. But many agencies have been limited over the course of thier histories.

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Hmm, I guess I'm not as omniscient as I thought.



 **Re: the FDA** (<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?topic=40100.msg41366#msg41366>)
« **Reply #43 on:** September 09, 2002, 02:45:58 AM »

(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=585>)
That "evidence" link is for a not-so-credible study by economists, not scientists, and its conclusion is just a little too neat and tidy to be believable without a lot more evidence. That think tank makes another incredible claim, that law enforcement in 19th century Britain was highly effective, but Britain was known as the crime capital of Europe back then.

Lesbian Bob
(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=585>)


Do you have any evidence by credible scientists that the FDA does more harm than good?

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 **Re: I think somebody needs to get a hearing aide ...**
(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?topic=40100.msg41367#msg41367>)
« **Reply #44 on:** September 09, 2002, 02:45:57 AM »

Prohibition was an amendment to the Constitution, but we still have the



(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=1909>)


Catch
(<http://forum.bearchive.com/index.php?action=profile;u=1909>)

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Prohibition was an amendment to the Constitution, but we still have the ATF just as incompetent as ever. Remember Waco, Texas?

Bad example. Your point is well taken though. Your right Seelie. A few have had their funds reduced. I should have stuck to the FDA. Someone pointed out the increase of authority in the 60's and then the fiasco in the 90's. Most agency's have the lifespan of Strom Thurman.

The FDA is a good example of what happens when a governmental entity gets too much authority and excessive funding.

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