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Drug Shortages in America

Welcome to the Health Freedom Minute. This is Twila Brase, president of Citizens’ Council for Health Freedom.

Drug shortages are emerging, putting patients at risk. Last year 178 drug shortages were reported to the Food and Drug Administration. These are drugs to put you to sleep before surgery and drugs to treat cancer, cardiac disease, emphysema, and infections.

The American Medical Association says “This should not be happening in America.” They want the FDA to require drug makers to develop plans to ensure the supply of ‘vital and life-sustaining medications and vaccines.” But Dr. David McKalip, a Florida neurosurgeon, says government regulations, and price controls established in 2005, are the real reason for drug shortages.

This is not rocket science. Price controls always lead to rationing.

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“AMA: Drug shortages a national emergency,” Alex Wayne (Bloomberg News), The Seattle Times, November 15, 2011.


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