Rethinking the FDA

Could the federal Food and Drug Administration be harming us? Twenty years ago two FDA scientists refused to sign a letter approving an appetite suppressant. Two years and 18 million patients after a manager signed it, the drug was withdrawn due to heart valve damage and 123 deaths.

Now six current and former FDA employees have sued the agency for monitoring their personal email. These doctors and scientists had emailed Congress about risky medical devices being approved “at great peril” to patients. The FDA has 15,000 employees, lists $4.2 billion for salaries and expenses, and regulates 10% of our economy. But is it keeping us safe?

“In a lawsuit against FDA, public health and corporate interests collide,” Arundhati Parmar, MedCityNews, January 30, 2012.


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