

In the marketplace of ideas, competition is becoming progressively sophisticated. Since September 11, the official word from both the Centers for Disease Control and the Interstate Commerce Commission is that only vaccines and/or antibiotics are effective against bioterrorism. The official word from the FDA is that dietary supplements are dangerous due to insufficient government regulation. This year, the European Parliament voted to accept German standards for the doses and ingredients of dietary supplements to be available without a prescription. The World Health Organization, behind closed doors, is working on global regulations for herbal supplements. Third world countries are concerned that herbal products used for centuries as remedies or as sources of nutrients may be declared illegal worldwide. Rising costs in health care, fueled primarily by rising pharmaceutical prices, are straining the budgets of federal and state governments and companies that provide health insurance for employees. If single_payer health care becomes the only recognized solution to these financial problems, American consumers will lose freedom of choice where their health is concerned. Confinement centers are already available for mass quarantine.

For more information:

“Model State Emergency Health Power Act Plods Forward Despite Protest,” The Crusader’s August/September 2002,

See “Federal Blackmail,” The Patients’ Voice, Spring, 2002.

See “FDA Redefines ‘Safety’,” See “Time is Running Out”, The Patients' Voice summer 2002.

See “Smallpox Update,

The Patients' Voice summer 2002 .