

Major problems.

Again it would appear that government is trying to legislate ethics. The standard by which one can judge a true conflict of interest has not been determined. To say that some direct or indirect financial correlation with an institution or pharmaceutical house constitutes a conflict rather stretches the point. One can be much more bias without a financial interest and visa versa. To encumber our reviewal process with additional useless bagage is counter productive. We are rapidly getting to the point wherein clinical research in the US will be a relic of the past. I strongly oppose this reg.

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