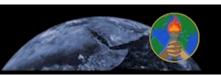


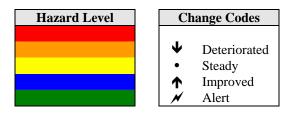
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2007 Jul 01	• Sadly, as with all zealots of the Right and Left <i>facts</i> are sometimes killed off in the
	interest of a good story The facts and numbers behind Moore's Sicko.
	Pfizer and the Nigerian government are locked in <i>litigation</i> "The government is
	seeking the damages after nearly 200 children either died or suffered deformities
	[from immoral drug trials]."
2007 Jun 24	• " between [Michael] Moore's slick illusion that a valuable service can be provided
	for "free" and the chance to get the same buying power for health care that
	Americans have in the rest of the economy" The Coming Health Care War.
2007 Jun 17	• [nothing significant to summarize but see links to stories in this topical area]
2007 Jun 10	• [nothing significant to summarize but see links to stories in this topical area]
2007 Jun 03	• A selfish stupid US lawyer who traveled knowing he had <i>highly drug-resistant TB</i>
	shows how ready the world is to contain <i>pandemics</i> TB patient "very sorry" for
	endangering others.
	Obama calls for universal health care coverage, paid for by government, business,
	consumers "If you are one of 45 million Americans who don't have health
2007 Mars 27	insurance, you will after this plan becomes law."
2007 May 27	▶ Pilots acting as whistle-blowers have found toxins on passenger jets "The neuro-
2007 May 20	toxin is on the walls of the passenger cabin and in the flight deck" ▼ Toothpaste poisoned with anti-freeze found in Panama is believed to be from China.
2007 May 20	[The claimed difficulty in tracing culprits indicates official corruption and/or utterly
	inadequate safety systems.]
	Holding Big Pharma's Feet to the Fire more in-depth on Thailand's "patent
	breaking".
2007 May 13	V Chinese drug counterfeiters are using diethylene glycol [anti-freeze] instead of
	glycerin and other ingredients in fake drugs appearing throughout the developing
	world, and killing thousands From China to Panama, a Trail of Poisoned Medicine.
2007 May 06	◆ According to the Defense Department's <i>Task Force on Mental Health</i> chaired by
	Navy Surgeon General one-third of US troops are suffering from mental health
	problems.
	Jose Ramos-Horta, the current prime minister of East Timor says he will [with an
	eye on the Fretilin electorate] consolidate ties with communist states
	"collaboration with Cuba is very important to us, especially in relation to the <i>health</i>
	system".
2007 Apr 29	• More detail on Thailand's use of a WTO rule that permits a state to break a <i>patent</i>
	under certain circumstances Thai 'drug war'.



2007 Apr 22	▶ In the US, improvement in the <i>infant mortality rate</i> in <i>Mississippi</i> and several southern other states has stalled and then <u>risen</u> . [This is not good news for a
	developed nation.]
	More bad press on the possible downsides of <i>nano-particles Nanoparticles can</i>
	damage DNA, increase cancer risk.
2007 Apr 15	• [nothing significant to summarize but see links to stories in this topical area]
2007 Apr 08	• [nothing significant to summarize but see links to stories in this topical area]
2007 Apr 01	• [nothing significant to summarize but see links to stories in this topical area]
2007 Mar 25	• FDA has ruled that <i>medical practitioners</i> who receive more than \$50,000 from a
	company would no longer be allowed to serve on the <i>committees</i> deciding on that
	companies' products. [Not that big pharma has ever engaged in shady practice.]
2007 Mar 18	• [nothing significant to summarize but see links to stories in this topical area]
2007 Mar 11	• National Center for Policy Analysis says a new order of transparency in health-care
	– a consumer-rights orientation is as important as <i>equity</i> in availability. Also: "it is
	critical to remember there are other solutions besides overpriced, one-size-fits-all
	comprehensive plans."
2007 Mar 04	• Massachusetts continues with its "landmark insurance initiative designed to require
	health coverage for all Massachusetts". Governor Schwarzenegger of California
	proposes extending the state <i>Medicaid</i> program to include working families earning
	twice the federal poverty level.
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