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**abcde8. Medical Doctor caused accidental deaths**

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Number of physicians in the US: 700,000.

Accidental deaths caused by physicians per year: 120,000.

Accidental deaths per physician.... 0.171 (Statistic from the U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services)

Number of gun owners in the US: 80,000,000.

Number of accidental gun deaths per year (all age groups) 1,500.

Accidental deaths per gun owner: 0,0000188

Statistically, doctors are approximately 9,000 times more dangerous than gun owners. "FACT; Not everyone has a gun, but everyone has a Doctor."

Please alert your friends to this alarming threat. We must ban doctors before this gets out of hand. Come to think of it, its already out of hand. Remember: Guns don't kill people, doctors do. In fact, let's ban both guns and doctors. (No cards or letters please this is just our sorry attempt at humour.)

According to the JAMA (Journal of the American Medical Association) The top five causes of death in the United States, in order, are tobacco, alcohol, medical malpractice, traffic, and firearms.

According to JAMA, doctors kill more people than auto accidents and guns. With that in mind, one has to wonder why gun control is such a hot legislative issue when, perhaps, we should be more concerned about doctor control.

The number of people that doctors kill per day, from medical malpractice, is roughly equal to the amount of people that would die if every day, two jumbo jets crashed and killed everybody on board. That's 730 crashes every single year, year after year.

Just imagine what headlines would result if a chiropractor accidentally killed just one patient? Chiropractic care is, in fact, extremely safe by comparison.

Another JAMA statistic stated that one in 5 (20 percent) of all people who see an allopath (medical doctor) will suffer a doctor-induced injury. It is no wonder that statistics show there are now more visits to alternative care providers than to medical doctors. An interesting point indeed.

Again, according to JAMA, 16 percent of all people who die in the hospital are determined by autopsy to have died of something other than their admission diagnosis. In other words, the doctor had no idea what was really wrong with the patient and, therefore, the patient may have died for want of appropriate care that would have been subsequent to an accurate diagnosis.

Another trade publication, American Medical News, stated that 28 percent of people admitted to hospitals are there because they have suffered an adverse reaction to prescribed drugs. My question is, as a community, where should we be placing our effort, and money, to improve our society?

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