



A cured patient is a lost client. The first day of medical school.

Why medicine doesn't want to cure you – and how that's changing for the first time right now

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There is a rule that explains more about our society than a thousand studies: "No institution tasked with solving a problem will ever solve that problem. Because when the problem disappears, so does its reason for existence."

Milton Friedman put it more succinctly: "Nothing is as permanent as a temporary government program." What begins as a stopgap measure becomes an institution – and the institution needs the problem to survive.

This logic has now even permeated dating apps: they have been transformed from formats that connected people with suitable partners to those that *prevent* matching. The reason is simple – those who find a partner stop paying. When one corporation realized this, it bought

up all its competitors and converted them to the same predatory model ([Groundwork Collaborative](#), [Gwern](#), [NPR](#), [TechCrunch](#)).

What does that have to do with medicine? *Everything*.

The business model of "lifelong patient"

The pharmaceutical industry perfectly embodies this principle. Let's look at what large corporations strive for:

- **Constant growth**
- **High margins**
- **The largest possible market**
- **Market exclusivity** (to protect sales)
- **Recurring sales into the future**

The pharmaceutical industry is world champion in all five areas. This explains why **one-fifth of all spending in the US goes into healthcare** – with a disastrous return on investment for the population.

The most notorious piece of evidence for this doesn't come from a conspiracy theorist, but from **Goldman Sachs** . In an internal report, the bank questioned whether *curing patients* was even a viable business model – and essentially concluded that curative therapies were economically risky ([CNBC reported on this in 2018](#)).

The public outcry was huge – but something else was remarkable: the mainstream media, which usually ignore pharmaceutical scandals, picked up on this case. The suspicion is that this served less to protect patients than to send a message to the industry: *Don't make drugs that destroy your business model*.

Another example: the **annual adult vaccines** . They often serve no purpose – frequently because they simply target the wrong virus variant – yet they are still widely advertised. The reason: they perfectly fulfill the need for *endlessly repeated sales* .

The forbidden language of healing

Medicine has tacitly abandoned the concept of "cure". For centuries, major medical dictionaries either contained no definition of "cure" at all or only a rudimentary one ([Kolenchuk](#), [Healthicine](#)).

The word is conspicuously absent from the indexes of standard works – **neither in the Merck Manual nor in Harrison's Principles of Internal Medicine** . And in many contexts, physicians are actively discouraged from even promising or announcing a "cure" ([PMC](#)).

The logic is cynical, but consistent: *one cannot be accused of not having achieved something that one's own profession considers almost impossible*.

In practice, therefore, every successful medication lies somewhere on a scale from "addictive" to "ineffective." The body is designed for homeostasis—it resists artificial interventions in its physiology. The result is usually one of three reactions: the effect is temporary, increasingly

higher doses are required, or the body shifts into an unnatural state in which it can no longer function without the medication.

The side effect as a selling point

Side effects are not a flaw for the industry – they are a **characteristic**. They create new problems that require new drugs, thus creating a robust "sales funnel".

The prime example is **heartburn**. Reflux often arises from a *lack* of stomach acid – the sphincter muscle at the entrance to the stomach then doesn't receive the signal to close. The logical solution would be to replenish stomach acid, which often permanently resolves the reflux and brings numerous other health benefits ([Midwestern Doctor](#)).

Instead, acid production is completely suppressed – so that there's simply nothing left that could rise up. The problem: as soon as even small amounts of acid return, they promptly cause heartburn. **This makes discontinuing the treatment almost impossible.** The patient is trapped – not by the disease, but by the treatment.

What the FDA (and the EMA) suppressed

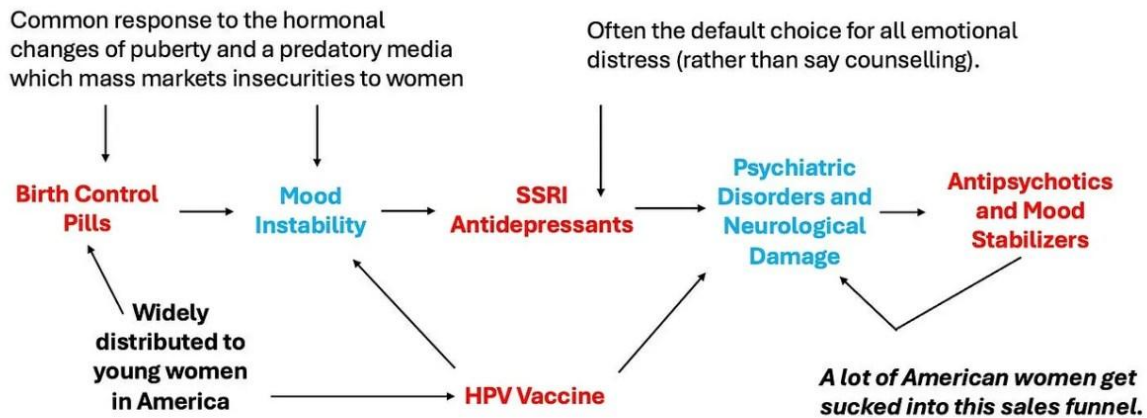
The ugliest side of this system is revealed when cheap, non-patentable therapies with genuine therapeutic effects come under the scrutiny of the authorities. The list is long and well-documented:

- **Ultraviolet blood irradiation** cured a wide range of deadly bacterial and viral infections, as well as numerous autoimmune diseases. When it began to gain acceptance in American hospitals, the American Medical Association tried to buy it out – and when that failed, it was successfully buried ([Midwestern Doctor](#)).
- **Sleep aids** : When an effective but non-patentable drug came onto the market that restored sleep and health, the FDA launched a relentless campaign that eventually banned it ([Midwestern Doctor](#)).
- **Oxidative therapies** like chlorine dioxide, when used in appropriate doses, show remarkable effectiveness against infectious diseases – and ozone additionally against musculoskeletal disorders, organ diseases, and circulatory problems. Despite thousands of studies, the FDA treats them as worthless toxins and hinders all research ([Midwestern Doctor](#)).
- **DMSO** is the clearest case. This safe, virtually free substance rapidly heals injuries, eliminates pain, spinal problems, most skin and eye conditions, intestinal inflammation, and many autoimmune diseases—and helps with otherwise incurable conditions such as stroke damage, paralysis, chronic lung disease, and neurodegenerative disorders. The FDA fought for decades—including several congressional hearings—to ban it. Today, most people know it only as an inert solvent ([overview of all DMSO uses](#) , [the history of the FDA's war on DMSO](#)).

Around **15,000 studies** confirm the effectiveness of DMSO – and over 7,000 testimonials from readers document how lifelong ailments suddenly disappeared. These are almost identical to the reports the FDA once received when the public pleaded not to ban DMSO.

SSRIs: The worst case

SSRI antidepressants are a prime example of a drug that is **massively overprescribed**, **frequently ruins lives – often in a gruesome way – and is almost impossible to discontinue** .



The numbers are overwhelming: **one in six adults** takes psychiatric medication ([CDC](#)). For a long time, the industry succeeded in co-opting government and the media alike to keep any criticism out of public discourse.

The breakthrough came via an unexpected detour: the **psychotic violence and mass shootings** that SSRIs occasionally trigger. The author's strategy was to start precisely where the topic is already politically charged – in the debate surrounding gun laws. The idea: if the right wing understands that many of the shootings blamed on lax gun control were actually partly triggered by SSRIs, the door opens to all other side effects ([Midwestern Doctor](#)).

The article reached **Tucker Carlson** , who five weeks later aired the first segment about it on mainstream TV ([Midwestern Doctor](#)). During the 2024 election campaign, **RFK Jr.** then shared the article and stated:

"Any discussion about gun violence is incomplete if it doesn't address mental health and the suppressed evidence linking SSRIs to suicide and homicide." ([Original post](#))

To illustrate how tough this fight is: In a time when the pharmaceutical industry *had less* influence over the FDA, it took **over a decade** of activism, leaks and congressional hearings just to get a warning label passed that SSRIs can cause suicidal thoughts ([Midwestern Doctor](#)).

A historic break: For the first time, a state is helping with deportation

On May 4, 2026, something happened that had never happened before: **Kennedy announced a cross-agency federal initiative** to combat the inappropriate prescribing of SSRIs, train physicians in proper tapering techniques, and offer non-pharmaceutical alternatives ([HHS press release](#)).

Kennedy clarified that SSRI withdrawal is **significantly more difficult than heroin withdrawal** . The initiative includes:

- A “Dear Colleague” letter from HHS authorities regarding informed consent and non-drug options
- A clarification of the remuneration rules (CMS) so that doctors are paid for the time they spend helping patients wean themselves off medication.
- SAMHSA training webinars on drug risks, deprescribing and alternatives
- An **expert panel in July** developed the first formal clinical guidelines for safe tapering off medication ([STAT News](#))

Most remarkable: **The professional community is reacting.** At the 2026 annual meeting of the *American Society of Clinical Psychopharmacology*, its own Deprescribing Task Force held an extensive panel discussion on when and how patients should be weaned off psychotropic medications – and on the importance of psychotherapy, lifestyle changes, and collaborative care instead of lifelong medication ([Psychiatric Times](#)).

This is the first federal process in history that aims *people down* to get *from a drug class rather than up from one* .

The resistance of the profiteers

That such a move would meet with fierce resistance was foreseeable. Senator **Tina Smith** (D-MN) summed it up perfectly:

"People I care deeply about rely on SSRIs to manage their lives. I don't know where I'd be without SSRIs. RFK Jr. should keep his damn hands and crazy conspiracy theories out of our medicine cabinets." ([Facebook](#))

Note the language used: Anyone who wants to call out drug dependency as such is labeled a "conspiracy theorist." This is the reflex of an industry that sees its business model threatened—and of its political allies who refuse to understand the system.

Why institutions become rigid

The deeper reason for all this is not just money. It is **institutional inertia** – sheer human complacency and aversion to change.

Societies and institutions follow a similar pattern: In the beginning, they must be innovative and dedicated to establish themselves. Once that is achieved, the focus shifts from the original mission to **maintaining power** . Empires typically last seven generations because they all succumb to this cycle ([Midwestern Doctor](#)).

the problem "*Solving the problem*" becomes "*providing an indispensable service*" by *permanently managing* instead of *fixing* it . Once you recognize this, you see it everywhere: in government agencies, in the media, in medicine.

Here is the additional DMSO section – inserted in place of the conclusion, as a separate, in-depth part:

DMSO: The banished miracle cure

If you need a single example of how the system works, it's DMSO. **Dimethyl sulfoxide** is a safe, practically free substance – and that's precisely its crime. Anyone who can't make money from something has no advocate in the pharmaceutical system.

The list of what DMSO has been proven to do reads like the table of contents of a medical wish list:

- **Injuries** heal in a fraction of the usual time.
- **Pain of all kinds** – from chronic joint pain to acute conditions – disappears, often without a single painkiller.
- **Spinal damage** and disc problems recede.
- **Most skin diseases** – eczema, psoriasis, poorly healing wounds – respond exceptionally well.
- **Eye diseases** such as glaucoma and macular degeneration are showing improvements.
- **Intestinal inflammation** and chronic gastrointestinal problems heal.
- **Autoimmune diseases**, which are considered "incurable", respond to

And that's just the beginning. DMSO shows effectiveness in conditions for which conventional medicine simply has no answer:

- **Stroke damage** – brain tissue that was thought to be lost
- **Paralysis** following spinal cord injuries
- **Chronic lung diseases**
- **Neurodegenerative diseases** such as dementia and Parkinson's: The burden of proof that counts for nothing

Around **15,000 studies** confirm these effects – a number that far exceeds any approval study for a blockbuster drug. In addition, there are now **over 7,000 testimonials** from readers documenting how a lifelong, debilitating condition resolved itself within a short time.

These reports are almost identical to those the FDA once received when the public pleaded with the agency not to ban DMSO. In vain.

The war against a substance

The story of DMSO is the story of a governmental campaign of annihilation against a competitor to its own business model. The FDA fought for decades – including several **congressional hearings** – to bury the substance.

The result: Today, hardly anyone knows DMSO as anything other than an **inert solvent** used in research to transport pharmaceuticals – and as a treatment for interstitial cystitis. The fact that it was once considered the most versatile remedy of its generation has been erased from collective memory.

AMD information on DMSO

A central reporting topic of the Midwestern Doctor is DMSO – here's what TKP has brought to the table so far.

There is a vast treasure trove of knowledge contained in a whole series of books:

- [DMSO – Nature's Remedy](#)
- [DMSO for Beginners: The Ultimate DMSO Practical Guide !](#)
- [DIY medicine with DMSO & Co.: Your health toolbox for home or practice](#)
- [DMSO, BORAX, CDL & MSM](#)

DMSO and mixtures can be found either in specialist drugstores, pharmacies (which also make mixtures to order, such as for eye drops) or in mail-order companies:

- [DMSO 99,9% Ph. Eur. Dimethylsulfoxid Pharma 1 Liter](#)
- [3% DMSO in sodium chloride solution, 100 ml](#)
- [DMSO with Zechstein magnesium oil and borax spray](#)

Also relevant is the **TKP book** about the most important findings and studies on the **healing power of mushrooms** :

- [Fungi versus cancer and other diseases](#), 2nd edition

And you can find even more about DMSO here at TKP:

About protocols for the application:

- [Tips for special mixtures of DMSO with natural remedies](#)
- [Therapeutic DMSO combinations are revolutionizing medicine](#)

The most important applications:

- [About the use of DMSO and its main effects](#)
- [DMSO for eye, ear, nose, throat and dental diseases](#)
- [Studies show DMSO can heal spinal cord injuries – ignored by Wings for Life?](#)
- [About the use of DMSO and its main effects](#)
- [Wings for Life: DMSO could save millions of people with brain and spinal cord injuries](#)
- [Effects of the forgotten remedy DMSO against cancer](#)
- [DMSO – an ancient and powerful remedy rediscovered](#)
- [Amazing healings – DMSO is gaining more and more followers](#)
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