

## Commentary

# Holiday Every Day for Pharma under the Bush Administration

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### Abstract

A December 21, 2004 report by the watchdog group Public Citizen provides information that explains why it's been a holiday every day for the pharmaceutical industry, since George W. Bush took office.

Thirteen pharmaceutical industry executives or lobbyists rank among Bush's "Rangers" and "Pioneers," the honorary titles given to those who have raised at least \$200,000 or \$100,000, respectively, for one of Bush's presidential campaigns, according to Public Citizen, "Together, these pharmaceutical industry super-fundraisers have raised at least \$2.2 million for Bush."

This report also provides details concerning TeenScreen, the Texas Medication Algorithm Project (TMAP), and other programs, including Medicaid, the National Institute of Health (NIH), and Food and Drug Administration (FDA) riddled with conflicts of interest.

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