

## Millions of people used tainted breathing machines. The FDA failed to use its power to protect them.

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Systemic regulatory failures can manifest into conditions that result in [patient harm](#). This news story summarizes an investigative effort to identify [weaknesses](#) in the United States medical device complaint process. It discusses problems with a widely used sleep apnea breathing device (continuous positive airway pressure [CPAP]) that went unaddressed, [uncommunicated](#), and undocumented for years.