

Title of Article: Safeguarding the health of Nigeria: Challenges and Suggestions for NAFDAC, 1992-2008

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Abstract: Between 1974, when the first food and drug decree was enacted and 1994 when NAFDAC was established, no fake drug manufacturer or importer was prosecuted. Consequently, there was public outrage when no culprits were indicted over the death of 1550 children in 1989 as a result of formulation error in a drug. The sources of data for the study are primary and secondary and historical method was also engaged. The findings show that from April 2001, NAFDAC under a new management, led by Dora Akunyili engineered transformation. The paper identifies the central position that the issue of food and drug is attracting globally and as well, highlights the numerous factors that account for success of NAFDAC which can also be injected into other sectors of the Nigerian Economy.