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A pharmacy is dealing with the health of the population, like doctor's, hospitals, or health centres. Dropping restrictions about where to set up, ought not be allowed. Imagine patients, including children, walking coughing or sneezing down the aisle of a supermarket to get a script filled. Imagine people with joint replacements or the elderly, waling with crutches or other mobility aids in an unsuitable area, easy to slip or being run into by a trolley or persons, just to get medication? Imagine, having finally arrived and not finding a chair or helpful staff? Imagine, not having any privacy and shoppers overhearing your questions about your problems? Having your blood pressure taken in full view of shoppers not knowing if the equipment had been sterilized or cleaned? Imagine not being able to leave your scripts with the chemist and able to pay monthly, or! your medication delivered, like many local pharmacy's do? Imagine a script out of date, but the chemist and doctor knowing you, are able to fill it by phone in such emergency? Imagine a Carer to get medicine for his client? The driving, parking, walking. waiting, compared to the local chemist, a quick in and out? Who pay's for the extra time, while the client is unattended? Supermarkets ought not have been allowed to carry medical products, herbal or otherwise in the first place. Many herbal pills are not compatible with prescribed medication and can do more harm than good. Many medications are sold without knowing the quality or origin of production. There is no trained,staff to advice. The sale of vitamins and other medication ought to be looked at and restricted for sale in other places but pharmacy's. To have a pharmacy within walking distance to a doctor's surgery is the best for the public. Large shopping centres could have a pharmacy for convenience, but it is irresponsible to drop all restrictions on where pharmacies could be set up.