

# Search Tells You If, When, And How Much Your Doctor Was Paid By Big Pharma

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Is your doctor on the payroll of the mega pharmaceutical companies? If you want to find out if your doctor's aggressive push for Viagra could be stemming from financial interests, there's a government website that can do just that.

The [Open Payments Data](#) website presented by the government reveals to you [the depths to which](#) your personal care provider could be controlled by Big Pharma's institutions. From physicians to teaching hospitals, you can even identify the company making payments.

Is your doctor on the payroll? This is a really awesome tool to tell whether or not your current or perspective healthcare providers are hiding their vested interests.



The screenshot shows the OpenPaymentsData.CMS.gov website. At the top, there's a navigation bar with five yellow buttons: "Conduct a Search", "Data Explorer", "About", "Download the Data", and "Open Payments Home". Below this is a search section with a "Search for a ..." label and three tabs: "Physician" (selected), "Teaching Hospitals", and "Company Making Payments". The search form includes fields for "First Name", "Last Name", "City", "State" (a dropdown menu), "ZIP", and "Specialty". A "Search" button is at the bottom right. A message says "Please be patient, search results take a few moments to load." and a red icon with text "For Best Search Results" is at the bottom right.

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