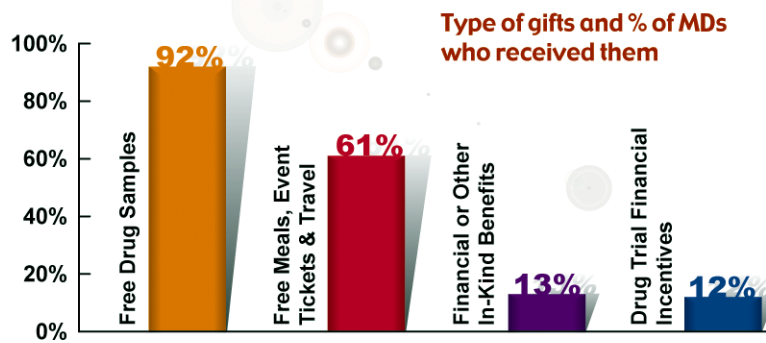


How Much Influence Is Too Much?

A recent study found that almost every medical doctor has accepted some kind of "gift" from at least one drug company. But some gifts are a lot nicer than others:



With well over half of U.S. MDs receiving free meals, event tickets and travel, is it any wonder why drugs are overprescribed in the U.S.?

SOURCE: National Survey of Physicians Part II: Doctors and Prescription Drugs. Kaiser Family Foundation, March 2002.