



The Risk of Pedestrian Accidents Increases as Days Get Shorter



Autumn is one of the deadliest times of the year for those walking and biking on city streets. [Pedestrian accidents](#) are between two and three times likelier to occur after dark, with peak accident times between 6:00 and 9:00 p.m. With fewer daylight hours and the onset of Daylight Saving Time, both children and adults must be hyper-vigilant to avoid a crash after the sun sets.

FDA Approves Actemra[®] for New Use Despite Injury Reports



The U.S. Food & Drug Administration has approved the use of the controversial medication Actemra to prevent deadly cytokine release syndrome (CRS) in cancer patients. The FDA issued its approval for the alternative use of the rheumatoid arthritis drug despite thousands of cases of adverse [Actemra side effects](#) in users, including heart attacks, strokes, lung disease, and death.

Lawsuit Filed Over DePuy Attune[®] Knee System Implant



The first lawsuit has been filed against Johnson & Johnson subsidiary DePuy Synthes for the failure of its Attune knee replacement system. The lawsuit came after reports of several [DePuy Attune knee implant problems](#), including loosening of the device that led to painful revision surgeries. The FDA has received hundreds of adverse event complaints about the Attune Knee System since its release, and issued a recall on over 3,000 units in June 2015.

Activists Push for Side Underride Guards on Commercial Trucks



Two grieving mothers have drafted a bill lobbying lawmakers to require [side underride guards on trucks](#). The women, who both lost relatives in truck underride accidents, are part of a growing movement to enact laws requiring side guards and stronger rear guards on all tractor trailers that travel on U.S. roads. Safety research, including a crash test performed by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, indicates that side guards could save hundreds of lives every year.

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