Philippines Warns Geckos Are Not an HIV Cure

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The Philippines has issued a warning against using geckos to treat HIV/AIDS, impotence and other conditions, The Associated Press (AP) reports. The growing trade of geckos in Asia and the popularity of using the wall-climbing lizard as an aphrodisiac or a treatment for illness can be tied to folkloric practice and traditional medicine. Health officials caution the use of geckos as medical treatment has no scientific basis and could be dangerous because people who are ill might not seek proper treatment. Environmental officials chimed in saying a robust population of geckos are needed to regulate insects and rodents.

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