

Water Fluoridation - Changing Policies

Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment (CAPE)

"On the basis of this "weight of evidence" we believe that fluoridation of drinking water is scientifically untenable, and should not be part of a public health initiative or program."
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/cape.html>

President, International Society of Doctors for the Environment (ISDE)

Dr. Vyvyan Howard M.D., PhD, Toxicopathologist interested in infant and fetal toxicology, called for an end to artificial water fluoridation after presenting evidence from 23 new human studies showing neurotoxic effects of fluorides in drinking water at the 28th ISFR Conference, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada, Aug 7-11.
<http://video.google.com/videoplay?docid=4072416559052593081&hl=en>

US EPA Unions representing over 7,000 professionals write to US Congress asking for a national moratorium on artificial fluoridation of drinking water: "Recent, peer-reviewed toxicity data, when applied to EPA's standard method for controlling risks from toxic chemicals, require an immediate halt to the use of the nation's drinking water reservoirs as disposal sites for the toxic waste of the phosphate fertilizer industry."
<http://www.nteu280.org/Issues/Fluoride/Press%20Release.%20Fluoride.htm>

National Association of Environmental Professionals

"The PHS [Public Health Service] had the most to lose from revelation of any information that might show that the practice they had been promoting for decades was actually harmful." p 55
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/health/epa/memos/union/naep1998.pdf>

Recent Government Policy Changes

Scientific Committee of the Food Safety Authority of Ireland (FSAI) 2001:

"the precautionary principle should apply and recommends that infant formula should not be re-constituted with fluoridated tap water"

American Dental Association:

children should use water: "purified, distilled, deionized, demineralized, or produced through reverse osmosis."

Health Canada:

"children under age 3 should not use fluoridated toothpaste"

Health Canada:

"Never give fluoridated mouthwash or mouth rinses to children under six years of age, as they may swallow it"

2009 Mandated Fluoridated Toothpaste labels in Canada:

"If more than used for brushing is accidentally swallowed, get medical help or contact a Poison Control Centre right away"



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Social Equity = Protecting the Vulnerable

Young children are now being told NOT to use **fluoridated** dental products because they are **TOXIC**.

Babies are now being told NOT to drink **fluoridated water** because it is **TOXIC**.

Municipal Drinking Water should be **safe for everyone**.

Why add a chemical to drinking water that makes it knowingly unsafe for babies?



Water fluoridation is unlike immunizations - dose of inorganic fluorides is not monitored and controlled.

Water fluoridation is unlike immunizations - inorganic fluorides do not prevent an infectious disease. ([Brailsford et al. 2005](#) - fluoride does not kill aciduric bacteria which leads to cavities)

Water fluoridation is unlike immunizations - informed consent is not obtained.

Council of Canadians: "It is the Canadian government's responsibility to provide clean, safe, public water for everyone".

Toxic Substances - Hazardous Waste (hydrofluorosilicic acid, arsenic, lead, mercury, radionuclides) are used in municipal artificial water fluoridation.

Hazardous Wastes may not be put directly into our lakes, rivers, oceans.
See US Congressional Hearings: <http://ca.youtube.com/watch?v=kLgKeHOgneQ>

Toxic Substances are persistent, bioaccumulative, man-made and recommended for **Virtual Elimination:**

1972, 1978 Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement

1989 First Priority Substances Lists

1997 Binational Toxics Strategy

CEPA 1999, 2006



National Research Council (NRC) 2006 Review: <http://www.nap.edu/catalog/11571.html>
International Society for Fluoride Research Journal: <http://www.fluorideresearch.org/backissues.pdf>
Bibliography of Scientific Literature on Fluoride: <http://www.Slweb.org/bibliography.html>
Fluoride Action Network: www.fluoridealert.org