

# Social Justice = Protecting the Vulnerable

## New Government Warnings on Fluoridated Dental Products

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

**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."



## New Government Warnings for Fluoridated Drinking Water



**American Dental Association** says children should use water: "purified, distilled, deionized, demineralized, or produced through reverse osmosis."

**Scientific Committee of the Food Safety Authority of Ireland 2001:**

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

**National Research Council 2006:** sizeable groups of the population have:  
[http://books.nap.edu/openbook.php?record\\_id=11571&page=35#p200111b79960035001](http://books.nap.edu/openbook.php?record_id=11571&page=35#p200111b79960035001)

- above-average fluoride exposures,
- increased fluoride retention,
- greater susceptibility to effects from fluoride exposures.

Fluoride consumption varies by more than a factor of 10, from drinking water alone.



**You cannot control the dose.**