

## **Milwaukee Lowers Fluoridation Level and Will Advise Parents about Infant Formula.**

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Milwaukee alderman Jim Bohl wanted to stop fluoridation in his city. But he had to settle for a compromise. The city's aldermen recently voted to reduce the fluoride level from 1.1 to .7 parts per million. .7ppm is the proposed lower level for fluoridation from the U.S. *Department of Health and Human Services*. The new lower level proposed for the U.S. is due to a large increase in fluorosis seen since fluoridation started in 1945. The addition of fluoride to the American diet plus fluoride toothpaste has increased fluorosis to 40 percent of children 12 to 15 years old, far beyond original estimates. Some cities have adopted the new, lower level.

The aldermen also voted to advise parents to use non-fluoridated water when preparing infant formula. Parents inadvertently give a very large dose of fluoride to infants when they use powdered infant formula mixed with fluoridated tap water. The CDC admitted that this large dose of fluoride has no evidence of benefit, but it does increase fluorosis risk. Fluorosis is often visible as spots on permanent teeth, affecting a child's self esteem because their teeth look bad. Wisconsin public health officials and dentists opposed issuing this parental advisory because it casts doubt on their claim that fluoridation is safe and effective for everyone.

### **Milwaukee fluoridation history you won't get from the mainstream media**

In 1971, 30 local doctors reported illness from Milwaukee tap water. Patients suffered from a variety of skin, bowel, kidney, and nervous disorders as well as tiredness, headache, vomiting, and excessive thirst. In all cases, the illnesses went away when the patients stopped drinking the fluoridated tap water and switched to non-fluoridated water. At the time, Wisconsin fluoridation supporters and public health officials said nothing about this report. An estimated one percent of the general population is so sensitive to fluoride that fluoridated tap water makes them sick with allergic type reactions. These people often suffer for years until they figure out what is causing their problems.

### **A reason why fluoride illness is not admitted by U.S. medical institutions**

About a month after the Milwaukee doctors reported fluoride illness in 1971, a publication of the *American Dental Association* called the *Dental News* wrote "There is no evidence that fluorides in community water supplies causes allergic reactions, the *American Academy of Allergy* reported to the federal government."

Some time earlier the U.S. public health service (forerunner of the CDC) had contacted 11 allergists, and apparently gave them limited and selected references on the issue and asked their opinion. None of the allergists had carried out any research on the subject. According to George Walcott, an expert allergist who had done extensive published research on fluoride:

"The release in the *ADA Dental News* is typical of the manner in which other resolutions and endorsements of fluoridation have been obtained: Scientists, competent in their own area but with no personal knowledge of the subject of fluoride are asked to express an opinion whereas those with valid information who have made extensive studies are bypassed. Propagation of the statement of the 11 members by the ADA constitutes a step backwards in the search for truth and in the genuine scientific evaluation of the effect of fluoridation on humans."

It's unfortunate that fluoride sensitive people have to suffer, many without knowing the reason for their suffering. It's also unfortunate that good parents are inadvertently overdosing their babies with fluoride. In both cases, public health officials prefer that the public be kept ignorant simply to maintain the reputation of fluoridation. But today it's much harder to suppress information, and the fluoridationists are worried.