



Proactive Release

Submissions on the Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy

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The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet has released the following submission received during its public consultation on the child and youth wellbeing strategy.

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Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy – Submission Template

This document is intended for individuals or groups who wish to make a formal submission on the child and youth wellbeing strategy.

Please complete this template and email it to: childandyouthwellbeing@dpmc.govt.nz

A guide to making a submission is available on the DPMC website <https://dpmc.govt.nz/our-programmes/child-and-youth-wellbeing-strategy>

Submissions will close on **Wednesday 5 December**.

Please provide details for a contact person in case we have some follow up questions.

Contact Name:	9(2)(a)
Email Address:	
Phone Number:	
Organisation Name:	[Please include if you are submitting on behalf of an organisation]
Organisation description: (tell us about your organisation – i.e. who do you represent? How many members do you have? Are you a local or national organisation?)	
Executive Summary: (Please provide a short summary of the key points of your Submission - 200 words)	<p>I am a Health Professional – trained as a McTimoney Chiropractor in the UK and was registered 9(2)(a)</p> <p>9(2)(a). I also have a degree in Electronics and Maths (basically Quantum Physics). I have followed the research on water fluoridation around the world over the last 15 years. Key features of the research outcomes are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fluoride is not a natural part of the make up of humans. - In the EC and in many countries fluoridation is banned. - Evidence suggests that it is harmful, particularly for babies and children. - Where fluoride is seen to be helpful that is limited to topical application only.

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Submission Content

In the absence of positive evidence that the overall effect of putting fluoride in the drinking water conveys benefits to all who drink it, and because there is substantial evidence available that it has a deleterious effect on babies and children, particularly on their IQ, it is difficult for me to see that there are any positive benefits to poisoning the entire population. So who benefits?

The agricultural chemicals industry who, if fluoridation were not carried out, would have the task and the responsibility of disposing of the hazardous chemicals used to fluoridate our drinking water, safely and environmentally responsibly.

There are those who blame bad teeth on the absence of fluoride in the water when it is clear that the main problem is SUGAR. Children are fed lollies and pseudofoods in large quantities. These are full of sugar or High Fructose Corn Syrup both of which contribute to the obesity epidemic and the bad teeth epidemic that affects the children. Putting Fluoride in the water is, whatever parliamentary language says, non-consensual medication. In addition there is absolutely no control over the dosage that the consumer is taking. This is why those countries that have done the research have banned fluoride in their water. People come in all sizes and shapes, including our young members of the population so control over dosage is impossible.

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