5 facts about water fluoridation

- Regular brushing and flossing + healthy eating + water fluoridation = healthy teeth
- Adding fluoride to the water system doesn't change the taste or smell of water and it is a safe and effective way to protect against tooth decay
- 40% less tooth decay on average for children living in fluoridated areas than those in non-fluoridated areas
- Drinking fluoridated water is good for people of all ages including young children, pregnant women and older people
- Extensive scientific research confirms water fluoridation is safe for everyone



More information

To find out more and hear from New Zealand health professionals see: www.fluoridefacts.govt.nz

Other helpful websites are:

Auckland Regional Public Health Service

www.arphs.govt.nz

Ministry of Health

www.health.govt.nz

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