FLUORIDATION'S NEUROTOXICITY

There is **no question** that fluoride is neurotoxic - it damages the brain, as documented by hundreds of recent human and animal studies. **It can not** be declared safe.

2006: The National Research Council published <u>Fluoride in Drinking Water</u>, the most authoritative review of fluoride's toxicity. It stated unequivocally that "**fluorides have the ability to interfere with the functions of the brain and the body.**"

<u>2012</u>: A Harvard-funded meta-analysis² found that children ingesting higher levels of fluoride tested an average 7 IQ points lower in **26 out of 27 studies**. Most had higher fluoride concentrations than in U.S. water, but many had total exposures to fluoride no more than what millions of Americans receive.

"Fluoride seems to fit in with lead, mercury, and other poisons that cause chemical brain drain."

Philippe Grandjean, MD, PhD, Harvard study co-author, Danish National Board of Health consultant, co-editor of Environmental Health, author of over 500 scientific papers

<u>2017</u>: A National Institutes of Health (NIH) - funded study₃ found that every milligram per liter (1 mg/L) increase in fluoride in pregnant women's urine – about the difference caused by ingestion of fluoridated water₄ - was linked to a reduction of their children's IQ by an average 5-6 points. Leonardo Trasande, MD, a leading physician unaffiliated with the study, said it "raises serious concerns about fluoride supplementation in water." 5

<u>2018</u>: A Canadian study₆ found iodine-deficient adults (nearly 18% of the population) with higher fluoride levels had a greater risk of hypothyroidism (known to be linked to lower IQs). Author Ashley Malin, PhD, said "I have grave concerns about the health effects of fluoride exposure."

<u>2019</u>: Another NIH-funded study₈ in the Journal of the American Medical Association Pediatrics found every 1 mg/L increase in fluoride in pregnant women's urine linked to a 4.5 decrease in IQ in their male children. JAMA Pediatrics' physician editor said "I would not have my wife drink fluoridated water" of the she was pregnant.

2019: A Canadian study¹⁰ found a nearly **300% higher risk of ADHD** for children living in fluoridated areas. This reinforced earlier studies linking fluoride to ADHD in Mexico (2018)¹¹ and the U.S. (2015).¹²

<u>2019</u>: Another NIH-funded study₁₃ in Canada found that **babies fed formula mixed with fluoridated water averaged 6 IQ points less** than those mixed with non-fluoridated water. Losses of non-verbal IQ were even more serious, an average of **13 points**.

<u>2023</u>: The National Toxicology Program's draft scientific review¹⁴ documented **52 out of 55 studies** linked higher fluoride levels with lower IQs. Of the highest quality studies, **18 out of 19** found this link. "Several of the highest quality studies showing lower IQs in children were done in optimally fluoridated (0.7 mg/L) areas."

