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Ethics are about doing no harm whilst bearing in mind that any group decision is about ensuring the reduced risk of harm to the majority.

Fluoride placed in an entire water system is not following these ethical criteria.

Fluoride helps growing teeth and no one disputes that. Ensuring that a population of children have strong teeth cannot put at risk of harm another group, which in this case, is the majority. And however small that risk is, the cost must be challenged and compared with other ways to deal with the issue.

Please consider that if a community (and this case, Bundaberg, Queensland) has enough concerned citizens to voice an objection to this decision, then they must be given the opportunity to make the choice about whether to fluoridate their water supply or not.

()urs sincerely,

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