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Water fluoridation not a debate -a fact

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Re: “Debate over?”, Sept. 15 Waterloo Chronicle The time for debate is over.

Community water fluoridation has, and continues to be, one of the best ways of protecting the Waterloo region’s oral health.

I’ve seen the effects of water fluoridation in the mouths of my patients. Simply put, those from Waterloo have lower incidences of dental decay than those in Kitchener. The difference? Waterloo fluoridates its water. Kitchener doesn’t.

But don’t take it from just my experience. Look at the science.

I stand behind the wealth of peer-reviewed academic research that supports the safety and efficacy of community water fluoridation. It has strong support from over 90 national and international professional health organizations.

Our position is firm. Community water fluoridation, in the right amount, is both safe and effective. It’s not a debate — it is a fact.

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