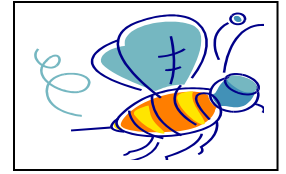


THE “BUZZ ABOUT FLUORIDE



DID YOU KNOW

- On average, for every \$1 spent on fluoridation, the expenditure of \$80 in dental treatment costs are avoided. *U.S. Centers for Disease Control*
- Children in California suffer twice as much dental disease as children nationwide, partly due to the lack of fluoridation, says a new report by **The Nonprofit Dental Health Foundation**.
- After countless studies, tests and scientific reviews conducted since the 1930's, fluoride, used in normal amounts, has not been proven to be hazardous to human health.
- In fact fluoride is endorsed by over 80 major health organizations worldwide, including. **American Academy of Pediatrics, American Medical Association, U.S. Public Health Service, The World Health Organization, Food and Drug Administration, and the National Institute of Health.**

HOW IT WORKS

- * Fluoride is absorbed easily into tooth enamel, especially in children's growing teeth. Once teeth are developed, fluoride makes the entire tooth structure more resistant to decay and promotes remineralization, *which aids in repairing early decay before the damage is even visible.*

WHO NEEDS IT

- Dietary fluoride supplements (tablets, drops or lozenges) are available only by prescription and are intended for use by children ages **6 months to 16 years** living in nonfluoridated areas. **Tuolumne County does not have fluoridated water.** Your dentist or physician can prescribe the correct dosage for your child.

