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By email

14 February 2014

Re: Concentrations of fluoride

Thank you for your email dated 4 February 2014 and sent via whatdotheyknow.com in which you asked:

The concentration of artificial fluoride in the USA and in Ireland has been reduced in recent years to 0.7ppm (or 7mg fluoride per litre of treated water).

I would like to know the names of any PHE Committees and the dates on which they sat to deliberate this issue and their conclusions on this topic of lowering the concentration.

Your email has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act. In accordance with Section 1(1)(a) of the Act I can confirm that Public Health England (PHE) does not hold the information requested.

PHE was established on 1st April 2013 and since that date none of its committees has discussed this issue.

Should you wish to request that PHE does consider the issue, you should write to the Chief Executive at the address below and set out the reasons for your request*.

Duncan Selbie
Chief Executive
Public Health England
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If you have any queries regarding the information that has been supplied to you, please refer them to me in the first instance. If you are dissatisfied with this response and would like to request an internal review, then please contact Mr George Stafford at the address above or by emailing complaints@phe.gov.uk.

Please note that you have the right to an independent review by the Information Commissioner's Office if a complaint cannot be resolved through the PHE complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner's Office can be contacted by

writing to Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Officer

*Section 16 of the FOI Act places a duty upon public authorities to provide advice and assistance to those who have made requests for information.