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Kia ora,

We refer to your information request below. Hamilton City Council provides the following response.

**Your request:**

*Please find attached copies of three documents.*

- 1 / The New Zealand Bill of Rights 1990*
- 2 / The International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights ICCPR*
- 3 / The Nuremberg Code 1947*

*I send these documents to you and others on council to remind you aH of your obligations to all residents. They are VERYY IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS which all peoples should be aware of, but most people aren't.*

*I wish to point out that putting what is wrongly called Fluoride in the waters of the residents of our city. And I am asking you to stop this practice immediately. All three of the documents inform you and us all that we are not to be subjected to any medical experimentation of any medical intervention Without our consent. And a reminder, that all laws are contract, and I am unaware of ar\y contract that any resident of Hamilton has been asked to sign.*

*A contract by law is to have a wet ink signature by both parties. As this is true, and I have yet to have been supplied with such a contract.*

**Our response:**

This request has been passed on to us for a response. We appreciate the time you have taken to contact us in relation to fluoride.

In November 2021, the [Health \(Fluoridation of Drinking Water\) Amendment Act 2021](#) came into effect allowing the Director General of Health to issue letters of direction to relevant local authorities, that were determined to have communities that would benefit from the fluoridation of drinking water. Hamilton City Council did not receive a letter of direction but is required under Schedule 1AA of this legislation to continue to add fluoride to the water unless directed not to by the Director General.

This means that the decision to fluoridate water is not within the control of Hamilton City Council. More information on the Director-General of Health's role in decision-making on the fluoridation of drinking-water supplies can be found [here](#).

Hamilton City Council aims to meet the dental protection target for fluoride and maintains full compliance with the [Water Services \(Drinking Water Standards for New Zealand\) Regulations](#)

2022.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

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