

Delaware Public Water Systems Recognized by CDC

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) annually distinguish outstanding performance in fluoridation management by public water systems. The Fluoridation Quality Award is granted to communities that adjust and achieve a monthly average fluoride level in drinking water that is in the optimal range for twelve consecutive months in a year.

The Delaware Division of Public Health (DPH) is proud to announce that 30 of Delaware's public water systems are recipients of the 2011 Fluoridation Quality Award for maintaining a consistent level of optimal fluoridation to promote public health benefits.

Community water fluoridation is recognized by the CDC as one of the ten greatest public health achievements in the 20th century. It has helped improve the quality of life in adults and children and has reduced the amount of money spent to restore or remove decayed teeth. Water fluoridation is safe, efficient, and an inexpensive method to prevent dental cavities.

DPH applauds these water communities for having accomplished this measure of excellence in their water fluoridation programs. We urge these public water systems to continue to maintain water fluoridated at optimal levels to reduce dental disease among our citizens.

Congratulations to the following water communities:

- Artesian Water Co.
- Bethany Beach Water Department
- Bridgeville Water Department
- Clayton Water Department
- Delaware City Water Department
- Delmar Water Department
- Dewey Beach
- Dover Water Department
- Fox Hunter (Choptank)
- Georgetown Water Department
- Greenwood Water Department
- Harrington Water Department
- Laurel Water Department
- Lewes Water Department
- Magnolia
- Middletown
- Milford Water Department
- Milton Water Department
- New Castle Water Department
- Newark Water Department
- Rehoboth Beach Water Department
- Seaford Water Department
- Selbyville Water Department
- Smyrna Water Department
- South Bethany
- Town of Blades
- Town of Henlopen Acres
- Townsend
- United Water Delaware
- Wilmington Water Department