

USHFC-2014-Resolution Re: Mercury in Medicine and Dentistry

Resolution 2

Call for Ban on Presence of Mercury in Medicine and Dentistry

2014 U.S. Health Freedom Congress

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Submitted by Mercuryfreebaby.org, a joint effort of the Coalition for Mercury-free Drugs, Inc. and the International Academy of Oral Medicine and Toxicology

Whereas, in 1999, the US Public Health Service and the American Academy of Pediatrics called for the removal of Thimerosal, a mercury-based compound used as a preservative in some vaccines and other drugs, as soon as possible, due to its presence in amounts exceeding known guidelines for maximum daily safe exposure limits,

Whereas, in 2006, a meeting of the Dental Products Panel and the Peripheral and Central Nervous System Drugs Advisory Committee convened by the FDA to consider, *inter alia*, whether the conclusions in the FDA's position statement on amalgam (the "White Paper") should be deemed "reasonable." The Joint Panels rejected the FDA contention that the use of dental amalgam may be considered safe,

Whereas, in 2008, the FDA acknowledged the health risks associated with exposing the unborn to mercury. FDA changed its website to acknowledge that "[d]ental amalgams contain mercury, which may have neurotoxic effects on the nervous systems of developing children and fetuses. When amalgam fillings are placed in teeth or removed from teeth, they release mercury vapor. Mercury vapor is also released during chewing."

Whereas, on September 3, 2009, James M. Love and Robert E. Reeves filed on behalf of several petitioners a Citizen's Petition requesting that FDA classify dental amalgam fillings into Class III. (FDA Docket No. FDA-2008-N-0163.) A scientific advisory panel was assembled by the FDA to consider the assertions of this Citizen's Petition. The panel overwhelmingly rejected the notion of amalgam safety. FDA has failed to respond to this Citizen's Petition within the time limits mandated by law, leading to the commencement of a lawsuit by the petitioners against the FDA in federal court. In response to this lawsuit, the FDA has agreed to submit a response to the Citizen's Petition.

Whereas, in 2013, the United Nations Environment Programme's Minamata Convention on Mercury, now signed by over 100 nations including a support for ratification from the United States, endorses a world-wide phase down on dental amalgam mercury,

Whereas, as of 2014, hundreds of scientific studies, reviews, and articles demonstrate a known human health risk of using mercury in medical products, especially to the developing fetus and child,

Whereas, despite these calls, mercury remains in vaccines and amalgam fillings, and these mercury-containing products are often administered to/placed in the populations most vulnerable to the toxic effects of mercury, namely children and pregnant women,

Whereas, the public, and those most at risk from mercury-induced harm are seldom given the opportunity of informed consent in regard to vaccines and amalgam, and whereas the risk of incurring avoidable, unnecessary and unsafe mercury exposure through the practice of medicine and dentistry continues to be a threat to the well-being of individuals around the world,

Whereas non-toxic, and much safer alternatives exist to mercury-containing vaccines and other drugs, namely mercury-free formulations, and to dental amalgam, namely resin composite and porcelain fillings,

Whereas, the public will likely not choose the safer alternative due to a lack of awareness about mercury and its toxicity, which can induce miscarriage, developmental disorders, Alzheimer's disease, reproductive toxicity, and other chronic illnesses,

Whereas, manufacturers continue to market mercury-containing options, often at a marginally lower price than safer mercury-free alternatives, without appropriate warnings which do appear on the Material Safety Data Sheets for these products,

Whereas, mercury-containing vaccines and other drugs and amalgam fillings continue to be disproportionately foisted upon economically challenged individuals and nations and represent a threat to the integrity of developing minds and developing nations,

Therefore, be it resolved that the following Voting Members of the US Health Freedom Congress do affirm and support the work of Mercuryfreebaby.org, a joint effort of the Coalition for Mercury-free Drugs, Inc. and the International Academy of Oral Medicine and Toxicology, from the grass roots level to its efforts before the United Nations, to ban the presence of mercury in medicine and dentistry, and to warn the public of this urgent threat to the public health.

Name of Organization

AutismOne

Bolen Report, The

Carnicom Institute

CoMeD, Inc.

DAMS Inc. (Dental Amalgam Mercury Solutions)

DividedLegacy.com

ElectromagneticHealth.org

Focus Autism

Health Choice

IAACN International and American Association of Clinical Nutritionists

Mercola.com

National Health Freedom Action (NHFA)

National Health Freedom Coalition (NHFC)

North American Society of Homeopaths (NASH)

North Carolina Citizens for Healthcare Freedom

Ohio Sunshine Health Freedom Coalition

Oklahoma Health Freedom Action Network

Organic Consumers Association

Sunshine Health Freedom Foundation (SHFF)

Texas Health Freedom Coalition

Voice for HOPE - Healers Of Planet Earth

Weston A. Price Foundation (WAPF)

Wisconsin Health Freedom Coalition