



We invite you to join the Statewide Water Action Team (SWAT)! Just under two-thirds of Kansans have access to fluoridated drinking water, and SWAT members will help ensure Kansans who benefit from water fluoridation continue to enjoy it without threat.

We are asking you to be a SWAT member because you value oral health and are a trusted supporter of community water fluoridation. We know we can count on you to help watch out for potential threats and help us keep fluoride in Kansas.

What does it mean to be a SWAT member?

Participation in SWAT can come in a few different forms, and no matter what you choose to do as a SWAT member, it will be the easiest volunteer job you take on!

- Pay attention to city or county commission meetings to see if water fluoridation is discussed
- Read your annual water quality statement to see if the fluoridation level is at or near 0.7 ppm
- Get to know your mayor, city manager, and city council members (discussing fluoridation with them isn't even necessary – just create relationships with them)
- Visit your water treatment plant and meet the local water operators

What happens next?

If you learn any of the following, contact Oral Health Kansas to report it:

- A city or county official or a water operator begins expressing anti-fluoridation sentiments
- A new water treatment facility is planned
- Existing water fluoridation equipment breaks down
- Budget cuts are proposed that include stopping fluoridation
- The fluoridation level listed on your water quality report drops below 0.7 ppm

How do I contact someone?

- Call the Oral Health Kansas office at 785-235-6039 or send an email to info@oralhealthkansas.org.
- Oral Health Kansas staff will work with the Kansas Dental Association and other partners to organize a response to fluoridation threats.
- We will connect you with other local fluoridation supporters to take action when necessary.

Thank you for becoming a member of this statewide movement. Most threats to water fluoridation can be stopped quickly and quietly, but they have to be caught early and locally. You are joining a group of dental and health care professionals, public health advocates, and concerned Kansans who want to make sure we continue to enjoy the cavity-fighting benefits of community water fluoridation.

Please use the enclosed magnet to remind you of how to contact us if you spot a potential fluoridation problem. If you would like extra magnets to share, just let us know how many you would like.

Thank you!





✓ **Yes, I am interested in SWAT!**

When you see something, say something!

If you hear something about water fluoridation in your community and think someone should do something about it, you can be that someone. Join SWAT to watch out for questions or activity regarding water fluoridation and become a member of a statewide network that will activate a rapid response team.

- Yes, I would like to join SWAT now.
- I would like to think about joining SWAT in the future.
- I need more information about _____
- I cannot join now because _____

Name _____

Email address _____

Phone _____

Preferred mailing address _____

City / Zip Code _____

City in which I live _____

City in which I work _____

Signature _____

Date _____