

To: Sarah Cumbers
Subject: HealOzone Health Technology Assessment Report.

Sarah,

Comments from Torfaen LHB follow - changes highlighted in italics:

Page 16, 2.1.1 para 2 line 2 ...is disrupted in favour of demineralisation.

Page 16, 2.1.1. para 3 line 5 ...begins at a higher pH. Older people have more roots exposed because of gum disease therefore root caries is more common in older people.

Page 28, 2.2.1 para 2 lines 3 and 4... A thorough medical and dental history and dental examination provides information about...

Page 29, 2.2.1.1 As it stands the document suggests that provision of oral hygiene instruction is effective in preventing caries. In fact "provision of oral hygiene instruction as part of a package including using fluoride toothpaste is effective in preventing caries"

Oral hygiene instruction is dependent on use of fluoride toothpaste to have any effect on tooth decay it would be helpful if "fluoride" preceded "provision of information on oral hygiene" in the bulleted list and following sections.

Page 32, lines 10-11 ...Reduction of caries incidence ranged... (note that pit and fissure sealants can only prevent new decay not reverse existing disease therefore the reported reduction in this systematic review is a reduction in incidence of new caries not in prevalence).

Page 32 para 2 (Treatment of cavitated ...) Lines 2-3 Self cleansing is an outdated argument for pit and fissure caries and not the reason cavities are filled. I suggest ...fill the cavity in order to removed infected dental tissue which could cause inflammation and dental pain and to restore form to support mastication and aesthetics. Cavitated root lesions that are not seen, on surfaces not used for mastication and are still accessible to cleaning...

That is all the comments I can offer. Many thanks for the opportunity to contribute.

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