## Health Minister fails to answer on fluoride

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THE Victorian people have a serious problem when questioning health matters.

The principle centre of such concerns is the Minister of Health who is elected by the people to represent them in the privileged position of minister protecting the community's health.

Public concern grows day by day when the Minister does not answer or even acknowledge letters on health matters. This is also. experienced with the Victorian Health Department:

Government press releases saturate the media and their veracity protected by the government authors refusing to debate their claims.

Since the beginning of fluoridation in Victoria the political policy of Liberal, Labour and Nationals is to ignore correspondence on fluoridation.

Why, on this one particular health matter, are our elected representatives acting accordingly without reference to those who voted them into parliament to do the will of the people, an important and serious situation?

Who is really governing this State of Victoria, and on whose behalf?

However, we do have some democratic responsible regional newspapers, otherwise we become a fully controlled political State.

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