

# Moms Against Mercury – USA

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Subject: Want a Phasedown? Try disclosing the mercury and reforming insurance!

Dr. Ala Alwan, Assistant Director-General  
World Health Org.

Dear Assistant Director-General Alwan,  
The “Petersen Paper” wrings its hands, claiming governments and dentists are powerless to reduce amalgam substantially. How wrong they are!

Consumer disclosure alone will phase down amalgam. If young women were told that amalgam is 50% mercury, they would never choose it! But the pro-mercury dentists conceal that fact, and Dr. Petersen and his colleagues from the American and British Dental Associations apparently favors dentists concealing that fact.

With disclosure should come real choice. UNEP wrote a paper on insurance reform. Dr. Petersen ignores that too. If insurance paid for alternatives, and if consumers had disclosure, we would see a precipitous decline in amalgam use, the benefit of mothers, children, and the environment.

Our organization has a landmark achievement. The case of *Moms Against Mercury, Inc. v. U.S. Food and Drug Administration* was the lawsuit which compelled FDA to act on regulating amalgam.

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