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'Take the test,' WQA urges for National Drinking Water Week Online tools help consumers with diagnosis and treatment

Lisle, Illinois — Take five minutes and take the test next week to check out the quality of your water. That is the advice of the Water Quality Association as National Drinking Water Week begins.

The federal government is calling on Americans to start the spring by learning how they can make sure they get the safest and cleanest possible water coming into their house. This year, National Drinking Water Week takes place May 2-8.

WQA offers free online diagnosis tools that let consumers figure out what might be affecting the quality of their water. They are available at wqa.org. In the "Find a Water Professional" program, local certified professionals can be found for consultation. There is also a "Diagnose Your Water" button that provides information on possible problems.

"We are learning more and more about what is in our water," said Peter Censky, executive director of WQA. "By consulting a certified professional, consumers can be assured they are getting the best advice available."

The New York Times has been writing an extensive series called "Toxic Waters," highlighting the worsening water pollution in America. The WQA Web site lists products that have been shown to be effective through independent testing at WQA's laboratory for removing contaminants. Less than two percent of all water consumed is ingested by humans, making these "point-of-use" systems the most cost-effective and environmentally-friendly approach.

For a copy of the WQA Safe Drinking Water Act information booklet, visit wqa.org.

The Water Quality Association is a not-for-profit international trade association representing the residential, commercial, and industrial water treatment industry. Its membership consists of both manufacturers as well as dealers/distributors of equipment. WQA is a resource and information source, a voice for the industry, an educator of professionals, a laboratory for product testing, and a communicator with the public. WQA has more than 2,500 members.

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