

HISTORIES OF GUIDELINE DEVELOPMENT FOR THE FOURTH EDITION

12. Chemical fact sheets

12.1 *Chemical contaminants in drinking-water*

Beryllium

History of guideline development

Beryllium was first evaluated in the fourth edition of the *Guidelines for Drinking-water Quality*. As beryllium is rarely, if ever, found in drinking-water at concentrations of concern, it was not considered necessary to set a formal health-based guideline value.