

Aspartame Docket #02P-0317

WebMD is an online community that provides valuable health information, tools for managing your health, and support to those who seek information. WebMD provides an article regarding safety information on nonnutritive sweeteners, including aspartame:

“... aspartame is another sweetener that -- though thoroughly tested by the FDA and deemed safe for the general population -- has had its share of critics who blame the sweetener for causing everything from brain tumors to chronic fatigue syndrome. Not so, says Ruth Kava, PhD, RD, director of nutrition for the American Council on Science and Health . The only people for whom aspartame is a medical problem are those with the genetic condition known as phenylketonuria (PKU), a disorder of amino acid metabolism.”

In addition, Dr. Kava notes that the purpose of low-calorie sweeteners “is to help people reduce caloric intake and/or control diabetes.”

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For more information on WebMD and its assessment of the safety of aspartame, please visit: <http://my.webmd.com/content/Article/54/65230.htm?pagenumber=1>.

For your reference and convenience this information has been attached in PDF form.

Respectfully submitted,

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