

# RBGH – THE “BIG THREE” PROBLEMS

- Harm to cows
- Antibiotic resistance
- Cancer

# The Growing Opposition

- ▣ “Health Care Without Harm opposes the use of rBGH (rBST) . . . due to its adverse impacts on animals and potential harm to humans.”
- ▣ Ron Davis, past president of AMA: “Hospitals should . . . use milk produced without recombinant bovine growth hormone . . .”
- ▣ American Nurses Association
- ▣ Consumers Union, Center for Food Safety

# Oregon and Washington Out in Front

## Pioneers:

- ▣ Lochmead
- ▣ Nancy's Yogurt
- ▣ Sunshine

## Dairies Going rBGH-free – last four years:

- ▣ Alpenrose
- ▣ Andersen
- ▣ Darigold
- ▣ Eberhard
- ▣ Fred Meyer (fluid milk)
- ▣ Safeway (fluid milk)
- ▣ Tillamook
- ▣ Umpqua
- ▣ Wilcox
- ▣ Yami

# Nationwide Ripple Effect

- ▣ 55 of largest 100 dairies completely or partially rBGH-free
- ▣ Dean Foods, Kraft, Land O' Lakes
- ▣ Retailers – Starbucks, Wal-Mart, Chipotle

## Where We Are Now

- ▣ Fluid milk – 60% – 75% rBGH-free
- ▣ Yogurt – 75% rBGH-free by Dec. 31
- ▣ Cheese, ice cream, butter the final frontiers

# Health Care Without Harm

Sign – on Letter to GPO's,  
Distributors

# Early Signers

- ▣ OHSU – Steve Hiatt, Eecole Copen
- ▣ Good Shepherd – Nancy Gummer
- ▣ St. Charles – Bend and Redmond, Pioneer – Mark Petersen
- ▣ Kaiser Sunnyside – Sandra Kelly

# What We Ask

- ▣ Hospitals – Please Sign on (Oct. 9)
- ▣ GPO's, Distributors – Please Listen  
and Act

Thank you!