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Essential medicine status

Section:

[22. Medicines for reproductive health and perinatal care 22.1. Contraceptives 22.1.1. Oral hormonal contraceptives](#)

ATC codes: [G03AC03](#)

Indication

Contact with health services for contraceptive management ICD11 code: [OA21](#)

INN

Levonorgestrel

Medicine type

Chemical agent

List type

Core

Formulations

Oral > Solid: 30 µg

EML status history

First added in 1995 ([TRS 867](#))

Changed in 2003 ([TRS 920](#))

Sex

Female

Age

Adolescents and adults

Therapeutic alternatives

Medicines within the same pharmacological class can be used

Patent information

Patents have expired in most jurisdictions

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Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations



The Committee recommended that levonorgestrel 30 µg tablets be moved from the complementary list to the core list of the EML.