

Copper-containing intrauterine device



Essential medicine status ✓

Section: 22. Medicines for reproductive health and perinatal care > 22.1. Contraceptives > 22.1.3. Intrauterine devices

ATC codes: **G02BA02**

ICD11 code: **QA21.2**

Indication	Contact with health services for insertion of contraceptive device
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Medicine type	Device
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List type	Core
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Formulations	-
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EML status history	First added in 1987 (TRS 770)
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Sex	Female
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Age	Adolescents and adults
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Therapeutic alternatives	The recommendation is for this specific medicine
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Patent information	Patents have expired in most jurisdictions Read more about patents .
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Wikipedia	Copper-containing intrauterine device
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Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

Copper-containing intrauterine device was added to the core list of the EML in 1987, as the Expert Committee considered it was important to include a range of contraceptive methods.

