

[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](#)

Indication

Contact with health services for insertion of contraceptive device ICD11 code: [QA21.2](#)

Medicine type

Device

List type

Core

Formulations

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EML status history

First added in 1987 ([TRS 770](#))

Sex

Female

Age

Adolescents and adults

Therapeutic alternatives

The recommendation is for this specific medicine

Patent information

Patents have expired in most jurisdictions

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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.