Copper-containing intrauterine device

Essential medicine status ✓

ATC codes: G02BA02

Indication	Contact with health services for insertion of contraceptive device ICD11 code: QA21.2
Medicine type	Device
List type	Core
Formulations	-
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 Read more about patents.
Wikipedia	Copper-containing intrauterine device

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.