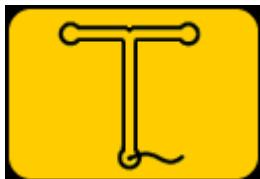


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The Coil (IUCD)



Description

A small plastic and copper device that is put into the womb.

How it Works

It works by stopping the sperm from meeting the egg, by delaying the egg getting to the womb, or may prevent an egg from settling in the womb.

Advantages

- Does not interrupt sex
- Works as soon as it is inserted
- Can stay in for five years or more

Drawbacks

- May cause irregular bleeding
- Insertion and removal must be done by a specially trained doctor
- Risk of pelvic infection if there is more than one sexual partner
- Does not protect against sexually transmitted infections