

Just for women Contraceptives

This booklet is just for you.

You can ask someone to read it with you.



People you could ask:

- · A family member
- Your care worker
- Your doctor
- Your nurse

What is contraception?

Contraception will stop you having a baby.

Some contraceptives stop your period.

There are lots of different contraceptives.

The nurse or doctor will help you to choose one, just for you.

Which one is just for me?

To help find the right one they need to know some things about you.

Here are the things they need to know.



Health

| IF: | YES |
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| Your period hurts a lot | |
| You bleed a lot | |
| You take other medications | |
| You have been very sick | |
| You have had an operation | |
| You smoke cigarettes | |
| You get very bad headaches and have to go to sleep | |
| You pick at your skin | |

Other Questions

| Tick Yes or No | | |
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| | YES | NO |
| I am OK with tablets | | |
| I can remember to take tablets every day | | |
| I am ok with needles | | |
| I have sex with a partner | | |
| I have sex with more than one partner | | |
| It is ok for a nurse or doctor to go inside my vagina | | |
| I would be ok with something under my skin | | |

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| Implant | Good if you forget to take pills. Lasts a long time. | Needs to go under your skin. Need to have an injection. You pick at your skin. Periods may come more often. |
| IUD | Lasts a long time. You have had a baby. | Nurse/doctor will need to put it in your vagina. Might bleed more. You have sex with more than one partner. Your partner has sex with other people. |

Some contraceptives you can use

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| IUS | May have no period. May bleed less. Lasts a long time. | Nurse/doctor will need to put it in your vagina. You have sex with more than one partner. Your partner has sex with other people. |
| Depo provera | Lasts for 12 weeks. No periods. | Have to have an injection. Might put on weight |
| Combined pill | Periods hurt less. May bleed less. Easy to take. | You smoke. Must remember to take it every day. Might not suit you. |

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| Progestogen only pill | Easy to take. Can be used at any age. May have no periods. | Must remember to take it every day. |
| Emergency contraceptive pill | Can be used if you had sex and did not use another contraceptive. | Have to take as soon as possible after having sex. |
| Condom | Easy to use. Easy to buy. Stops you getting an infection. Good if you have sex with more than one partner. | Must be put on penis. Male partner has to use it. Can come off. Can break. |

Family Planning Clinics

For more information or for an appointment contact your nearest Family Planning Clinic:

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| | Papakura | 09 298 4608 |
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| Gisborne | 06 867 1864 | |
| New Plymouth | 06 759 8269 | |
| Hawera | 06 278 9929 | |
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| Blenheim | 03 578 3047 | 7 |
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