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The CEU recommends that women should be informed about the lack of data on the efficacy of POEC when using liver enzyme-inducers and be offered an IUD as an alternative. Neither regimens of POEC (two tablets at first presentation followed by one tablet 12 h later or the three tablets single regimen) are within the product licence for Levonelle and Levonelle-2.³ Clinicians may consider using the regimen that is most acceptable to individual women using liver enzyme-inducers but acknowledge the lack of an evidence base for this.

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