
Previous advice from the CEU had been to use any device with >300 mm² of copper and I do not know of any evidence-based medicine that has shown any copper-bearing IUD to be inferior to another for emergency contraception. Many of us find it hard enough to promote the use of IUDs to young teenagers and nullips in these circumstances and do not welcome the suggestion that to use a Nova-T 380 would be suboptimal treatment.

The second point is one of omission. Reference 5 in your article refers to PRODIGY Guidance – Contraception – emergency contraception. The PRODIGY list of indications for emergency contraception includes discussion about the contraceptive patch, which surely for completeness should be included in your ‘first choice’.

My final reservation concerns ‘off-licence use’. In several of your ‘Good Practice Point boxes’ that you make the recommendation that an ‘appropriate device is outside the product licence’ In the 2003 Guidance2 use ‘more than once in a cycle’ was listed in this category, but in the current advice this is no longer mentioned. Had the product licence been changed in this respect?

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