FACT Review


Discussion points

1. What evidence is there that increasing the amount of copper increases the efficacy of the IUD?

2. Which device has the lowest expulsion rate?

3. Which device should be chosen for a nulliparous woman requesting emergency contraception?

4. Can intrauterine contraception be used for a woman with a history of ectopic pregnancy? Which device should be chosen?

5. How can PID be avoided in IUD users?

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IUDs: Which device?

Indicate your answer by ticking the appropriate box for each question

1. The T380A has been shown to be significantly more effective in preventing pregnancy than most other devices available in the UK.

2. High-dose copper IUDs act mainly by preventing fertilisation.

3. The Multiload devices have lower expulsion rates than other framed devices due to their unique shape.

4. The Nova T380® has been shown in trials to be as effective as the T380A in preventing pregnancy.

5. The GyneFix® has been shown to cause fewer bleeding problems than framed IUDs in nulliparous women.

6. Low-dose copper IUDs should be avoided due to their lower contraceptive efficacy compared to high-dose devices.

7. Nulliparity is an independent risk factor for developing PID leading to tubal infertility in IUD users.

8. The LNG IUS has been shown to be superior to the CuT380A in women with a history of ectopic pregnancy.

9. The LNG IUS is suitable treatment for idiopathic menorrhagia.

10. The LNG IUS may be offered to women with heavy periods who request emergency contraception.

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