

## THE RIGHT METHOD FOR ME

## **METHOD COMPARISON**

Method	What is it?	Efficacy	Duration	Protection	Pros	Cons
0 THE PILL	The pill is a small tablet containing hormones that needs to be swallowed by the woman at the same time every day.	91%	EVERY	NO STI protection	Highly effective Widely available Easy to use	Need to take it every day
INTRAUTERINE SYSTEM - IUS	Small, hormone releasing T-shaped device put in the uterus by a healthcare provider.	99%	<3-5 YEARS	NO STI protection	Highly effective Long-acting reversible Easy to hide	May cause changes in menstrual bleeding pattern
MALE CONDOM	A rubber or latex sheath covers the penis during intercourse.	82%	EVERY TIME	STI	STI protection Low cost Easy to use	Interrupts sex
CONTRACEPTIVE PATCH	A small, stick-on patch, placed by the woman that releases the hormones through the skin.	91%	EVERY	NO STI protection	Highly effective Widely available Easy to use	It's visible and may come loose or falls off
	A flexible plastic ring that releases hormones and is placed in the vagina by the user.	91%	EVERY MONTH	NO STI protection	Highly effective Widely available Easy to use	Can cause vaginal discomfort or irritation

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CONTRACEPTIVE RING



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CONTRACEPTIVE	Small hormone releasing silicone rods put under the skin by a healthcare provider.	99%	<3-5 YEARS	NO STI protection	Highly effective Long-acting reversible Easy to hide	It may initially cause a change in bleeding patterns
IMPLANT						
	An injection of hormones either in the muscle or under the skin by a healthcare provider.	94%	1 OR 3 MONTHS	NO STI protection	Highly effective Widely available Easy to hide	It may initially cause a change in bleeding patterns
CONTRACEPTIVE INJECTION						
	A T-shaped device containing copper that is put into the uterus by a healthcare provider.	99%	<5-10 YEARS	NO STI protection	Highly effective Long-acting reversible Easy to hide	May cause heavier bleedings or crampings
INTRAUTERINE DEVICE - IUD						
	A rubber or latex sheath that covers the vagina during intercourse.	79%	EVERY	STI	STI protection Hormone free Low cost	Interrupts sex and low reliability
FEMALE CONDOM						



DIAPHRAGM

A small dome that is placed over the entrance to the womb by the woman to stop sperm from entering.







Low cost Hormone free Widely available Interrupts sex



Cons Method What is it? Efficacy Duration Protection Pros Low reliability Having sex during Low or no costs the least fertile Hormone free **EVERY** stages of your DAY menstrual cycle. **FERTILITY AWARENESS** A small cap that is Low cost Interrupts sex placed over the Hormone free 48H MAX entrance to the Widely available womb by the woman to stop sperm from entering. **CERVICAL CAP** A small disk-shaped Low cost Interrupts sex sponge that is Hormone free and low 30H MAX placed over the reliability entrance to the womb by the woman to stop sperm from entering. **SPONGE** Any cream, foam, gel Low cost Interrupts sex or other liquid that Hormone free and low EVERY TIME prevents sperm from Widely available reliability moving freely. **SPERMICIDES** Where the penis is Low reliability No costs removed (withdrawn) Spontaneous **EVERY** from the vagina TIME before ejaculation.

PULL-OUT METHOD



Method

What is it?

Efficacy

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Pros

Cons



An surgical or minimally invasive procedure that removes a woman's or a man's ability to reproduce completely.



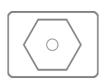




Highly effective Hormone free Permanent

Nonreversible

**STERILIZATION** 



**EMERGENCY** CONTRACEPTIVES A 2nd chance to prevent pregnancy if other contraception has failed.







Highly effective when used as directed Emergency care Widely available

Very high dose of hormones. cannot replace regular contraception

## HOW WELL DOES BIRTH CONTROL WORK?



Less than 1 in 100

What is your chance

of getting pregnant?



Pretty well

For it to work best, use it... Every. Single. Day.

The Pill

The Patch

Every week



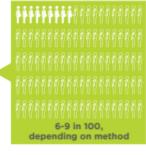
The Ring

Every month



The Shot

Every 3 months









Fertility Awareness



Internal Condom



Condom

12-24 in 100, depending on metho

For each of these methods to work, you or your partner have to use it every single time you have sex.

Pulling Out









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FYI, without birth control, over 90 in 100 young people get pregnant in a year.