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IUD PROGRAMME & CUN





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n Interuterine Contraceptive Device (also known as I.U.D or coil, in the case of hormone releasing IUD's they are sometimes referred to as Interuterine Systems - IUS) is a device inserted into to the uterine cavity and left for varying periods of time for the purpose of contraception. Throughout the years IUD's made of a range of materials and a variety of sizes and shapes have been designed and manufactured. All modern IUD's are made of polyethylene plastic and are coated in barium, making it possible for them to be seen on X-Ray. Most IUD's have a nylon "tail" which protrudes from the cervix into the vagina to allow you to make check your IUD is still in place. The most common IUD being a 'T' shape.

A team of our dedicated nurses have embarked on a relentless campaign to ensure the revival of IUCD insertions. The programme targets mostly teenage girls though everyone is welcome; it takes place every Friday at Ixopo clinic, bookings are done through clinics. The advantage of IUD is that one does not have to keep visiting the clinic every month, since it can stay in the cervix for years without any discomforts or side effects.

