

Notice of Authorization to Dispense Contraceptive Method Intrauterine Device

Non-hormonal Intrauterine Device

Hormonal Intrauterine Device

I am voluntarily choosing to use an Intrauterine Device (IUD) to prevent pregnancy, and I wish to have an IUD prescribed for me. I understand that my chosen method more than 97% effective at preventing pregnancy, but that it is not 100% guaranteed. No such assurances have been given to me. I understand that this method has certain benefits, risks and side effects, and these have been explained to me.

The **benefits** of using an IUD may include:

- Long lasting – can be left in place for up to 5 – 10 years
- Convenience – there is nothing to take or do before sexual intercourse
- May be used by women who cannot use other methods

The **risks and side effects** associated with using an IUD may include:

- Spotting between periods
- Abdominal pain or cramping
- Uterine damage
- Irregular menstrual bleeding
- Expulsion

I am aware that there are other effective methods of birth control that are available to me. These methods do not carry the same side effects, and may be more or less effective for me at preventing pregnancy. I understand that I may select another contraceptive method such as the contraceptive pill, contraceptive patch, vaginal ring, hormonal injections, diaphragm with spermicide, spermicide and condoms or sterilization.

The IUD does not protect me against any sexually transmitted infections or against HIV, the virus that causes AIDS. I understand that I must practice safe sex techniques, including the use of latex condoms, to protect myself from these infections.

At any time, if I experience any of these danger signs, I should call the University of Illinois Hospital at (312) 413-7500 or go to the nearest hospital emergency room:

- Severe abdominal pain
- Sudden shortness of breath
- Sudden high fever
- Dizziness and fainting
- Problems seeing, such as blurred vision, flashing lights or blindness
- Sudden, severe pain in legs, arms or chest
- Severe headache
- Vomiting, diarrhea
- Feeling any part of the IUD, except the threads

This method has been explained to me by the Hospital staff and/or by the Clinic staff. I have been instructed on how to check for the IUD threads. I have been given separate written information on my specific type of IUD, how it prevents pregnancy and when it should be removed. I have been instructed on when I am to return to the Family Planning Clinic. I do not have any questions at this time.

I am choosing to use this method of contraception. I understand that I must return to the Clinic to have the IUD removed, but that I must use another contraceptive method if I want to prevent pregnancy.

If I have any problems or questions I should contact the Center for Women's Health at (312) 413-7500
Mile Square Health Center at 312 413-7935 Pilsen Center at 312-996-1938.

Client's signature

Date

Witness

Date