

**12.3. RECOMMENDATION:**

**Should AUXILIARY NURSES insert and remove intrauterine device (IUDs)?**

**Problem:** Poor access to contraception  
**Option:** Auxiliary nurses inserting and removing IUDs  
**Comparison:** Care delivered by other cadres or no care  
**Setting:** Community/primary health care settings in LMICs with poor access to health professionals

Recommendation	<i>We recommend against the option</i>	<b><i>We suggest considering the option only in the context of rigorous research</i></b>	<i>We recommend the option</i>
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	We suggest considering using use auxiliary nurses to insert and remove IUDs only in the context of rigorous research.		
<b>Justification</b>	There is insufficient evidence on the effectiveness of this intervention. In addition, auxiliary nurses do not have pelvic assessment competency within their scope and would require some training. However, this intervention may be a cost-effective, feasible and acceptable approach and may reduce inequalities by extending care to underserved populations.		
<b>Implementation considerations</b>	Not applicable		
<b>Monitoring and evaluation</b>			
<b>Research priorities</b>			