

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

Supplementary data 1. Patients' questionnaires regarding women's access to emergency contraceptive pill (ECP) and its reclassification

1. On average, to how many patients have you prescribed ECP in a month during the past year.
(____) patients.
2. What is the main age group to which you prescribe emergency contraceptive pills.
 - 1) Adolescents (18 or less years old)
 - 2) Early 20s (19–24)
 - 3) Late 20s (25–29)
 - 4) 30s (30–39)
 - 5) 40s (40–49)
 - 6) Over 50s
3. Most commonly, how long after sexual intercourse have patients come to you for the prescription of emergency contraceptive pills?
 - 1) Within 12 hours
 - 2) Within 24 hours (1 day)
 - 3) Within 48 hours (2 days)
 - 4) Within 72 hours (3 days)
 - 5) Within 120 hours (5 days)
 - 6) After more than 5 days
4. Which emergency contraceptive method do you prescribe the most. Please choose one.
 - 1) Yuzpe method (oral contraceptives 4–5 tablets×2)
 - 2) Levonorgestrel only (Norevo-1 or Postino)
 - 3) Ulipristal acetate (Ellaone)
 - 4) Copper-intrauterine device
5. What is your opinion on the current accessibility of ECP?
 - 1) Very easy
 - 2) Somewhat easy
 - 3) Neutral
 - 4) Somewhat difficult
 - 5) Very difficult
6. If you believe there are barriers to patients accessing ECP, please number them in order of relevance.

Barriers	Order
Women's lack of information	
Inconvenience	
Concerns about side effects	
Emotional burden visiting a clinic or a hospital	
Concerns about sexual privacy	
Cost	
Others	

7. Do you agree with the policy to convert ECP into a behind the counter drug?

- 1) Yes (move on to question 7-1)
- 2) No (move on to question 7-2)

7-1) If you do agree, number your reasons in order of relevance.

Reasons	Order
Women's right to choose contraception	
Easier access to ECP	
Decrease in medical expense	
Safety issue (it is very safe)	
Foreign example (it is sold without prescription in advanced countries)	
Protection from sexual privacy exposure	
Reduction of unwanted pregnancy	
Others	

7-2) If you do not agree, number your reasons in order of relevance.

Reasons	Order
Concerns about abuse of ECP	
Need for contraceptive education and counseling	
Safety issue	
Concerns about increase in undesirable sex	
Concerns about increase in unprotected sex	
Others	

8. In your opinion, what is the most important step we could take to avoid the abuse of ECP?

- 1) Contraceptive education
- 2) Restriction of repetitive prescription within the same menstrual cycle
- 3) Improved accessibility
- 4) Price increase
- 5) Others (describe here: _____)