

Contraceptive injections - Depot medroxyprogesterone acetate (DMPA) -

The contraceptive injection is given by an injection into a muscle every 12 weeks. It prevents pregnancy by stopping ovulation. Periods may stop while using DMPA and there may be a short delay in return to usual fertility. The injection contains depot medroxyprogesterone acetate (DMPA). DMPA is a hormone similar to progesterone which is naturally produced by the female body. DMPA is 94-99.8% effective.