

HAVE YOU, OR HAS ANYONE YOU KNOW, EVER RECEIVED AN INJECTION FOR birth control? IF SO, YOU MAY HAVE BEEN GIVEN:

DEPO PROVERA

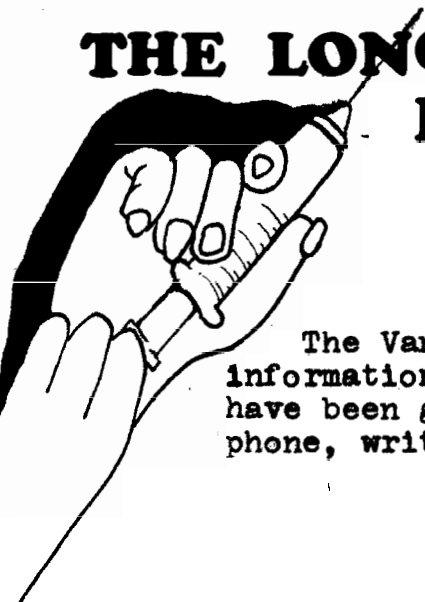


Depo Provera is a hormone that circulates through the bloodstream and prevents pregnancy for 3-6 months. Although Depo Provera has been given to women all over the world, it has not been proven safe as a contraceptive.

Some effects of Depo Provera include the following:

- Depo Provera has been shown to cause breast and uterine cancer in animals.
- Depo Provera may make it difficult or even impossible for a woman to get pregnant in the future.
- Depo Provera may cause women to have longer periods, irregular periods, or no periods at all.
- Depo Provera passes through the breast milk to the infants of nursing women who receive this drug.
- Depo Provera is associated with birth defects.
- Depo Provera inhibits bone growth.
- Depo Provera is associated with headaches, dizziness and weight gain.

THE LONG TERM EFFECTS OF THIS DRUG ARE NOT KNOWN!



The Vancouver Women's Health Collective is gathering information about the use of Depo Provera in Canada. If you have been given this drug, or know anyone else who has, please phone, write us or come in. Thank you,

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