

Establishing a new international consortium for postpartum contraception (*PICON*)

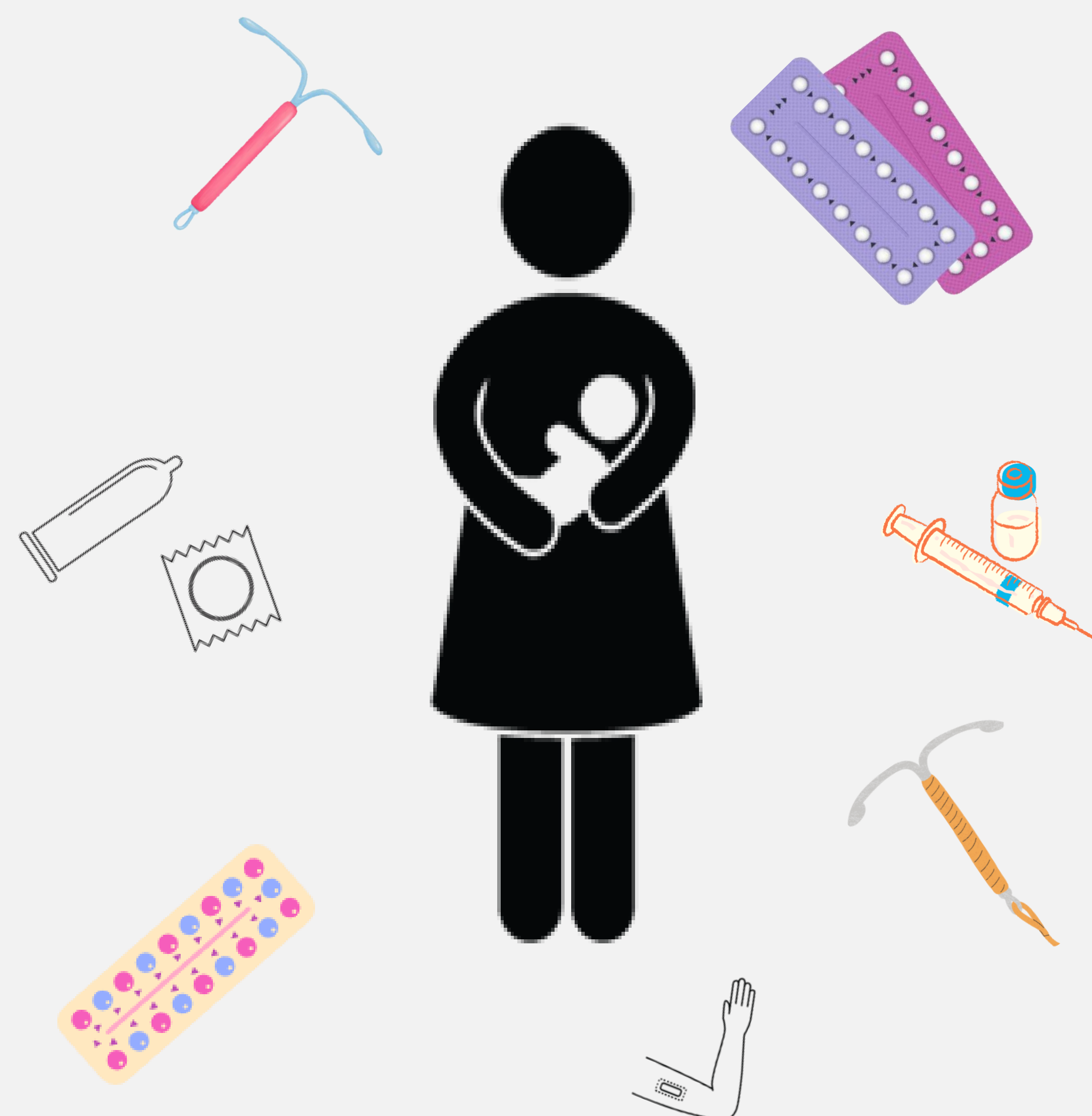
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Background:

- Contraception services provided as part of care during childbirth increases postpartum contraceptive (PPC) use and can reduce unintended pregnancies and pregnancies that are too closely spaced.
- Globally, unintended and closely spaced births are a significant public health issue as they are associated with increased maternal, newborn, and child morbidity and mortality.

Objective:

- Interdisciplinary networks are an effective way to connect research questions, methodologies, and influence practice.
- This project will develop the first global network of clinicians, researchers, policy makers and people with lived experience to examine how best to improve access to immediate PPC.



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Design: Establishing and developing the Postpartum Contraception International Consortium (PICON)

Methods:

- We aim to formally 'launch' PICON at the RCOG Congress to raise awareness amongst key professionals in the field.
- Interested parties are invited to contact us to represent their region as part of the network.
- Existing professional links will be used to identify other key global opinion leaders.
- Digital tools (website, social media) will be developed to support public and wider professional engagement.

Results: Once a formal network is established, we will conduct a structured survey to scope current global provision of PPC and inform future priorities for the consortium.

Conclusions: PICON will investigate global best practice and capacity building for immediate provision of postpartum modern contraceptives.