**CONTRACEPTION: PATIENT CASE 6**

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A 19 year-old female comes into the pharmacy and looks around at the condoms. She shyly comes to the counter and says she and her boyfriend are thinking about having sex and she wants to make sure they are safe. She is confused by all of the types of condoms available.

1. What do you tell her about the various types of condoms?
2. What are the advantages and disadvantages of the different types of condoms, including female condoms?
3. What counseling points regarding condoms are important to tell this patient?
4. What else might you recommend since she is thinking about becoming sexually active?
5. You explain the various condoms and counsel her appropriately. She then asks about spermicides which she sees included with some of the condoms. She heard something about them being irritating. What information should you provide for her at this time?