## LEVETH 150/30 ED

Active ingredient(s): ethinylestradiol and levonorgestrel

## **Consumer Medicine Information**

This leaflet provides important information about using LEVETH 150/30 ED. You should also speak to your doctor or pharmacist if you would like further information or if you have any concerns or questions about using LEVETH 150/30 ED.

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1. Why am I using LEVETH 150/30 ED?

## LEVETH 150/30 ED contains the active ingredient ethinylestradiol and

**levonorgestrel**. LEVETH 150/30 ED is a combined oral contraceptive tablet, commonly known as a 'birth control pill' or 'the Pill'.

## LEVETH 150/30 ED is used to prevent pregnancy.

You may also experience the following benefits:

 more regular and lighter periods – potentially resulting in a decrease in anaemia (iron deficiency)
a decrease in period pain.

Some conditions such as pelvic inflammatory disease, ovarian cysts, ectopic pregnancy (where the foetus is carried outside of your womb), lumpy breasts, acne and cancer of the uterus (womb) and ovaries may be less common in women taking the Pill.

When taken correctly, LEVETH 150/30 ED prevents you from becoming pregnant in several ways, including:

- inhibiting ovulation (egg release)
- changing the cervical mucus consistency, making it more difficult for the sperm to reach the egg
- changing the lining of the uterus, making it less suitable for implantation.

When the Pill is taken by women under close observation in clinical trials, it is more than 99% effective in preventing pregnancy. However, in real life the Pill is around 92% effective. This is because pills might have been missed, may have been taken with medicines that interfere with their effectiveness, or may not be absorbed due to vomiting or diarrhoea.