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**Contraceptive Use Dynamics in Egypt, Evidence from EDHS 2000**

The pregnancy course of action of the international conference on population and development (ICPD) held in Cairo 1994 endorsed a universal right to reproductive health care including family planning.

All countries are asked to identify and remove all major barriers to the use of family planning services. Governments are urged to provide a climate that is favourable to good quality of public and private family planning and reproductive health and information and services through all possible channels (Johnson 1996).

The study considers the following issues:-

- Estimating the contraceptive discontinuation rate by methods and reasons for discontinuation and selected background characteristics.
- Estimating the switching rates by method and background characteristics.

The study used data collected in the 2000 EDHS to look at the current patterns of discontinuation and switching among key groups in the population. The analysis was conducted with SPSS.