



Stoma Product Assessment Panel Public Summary Documents ConvaTec – 24 October 2023

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ConvaTec Esenta – CC#01OCTOBER2023

Proposed Listing on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought listing of ConvaTec Esenta in subgroup 9(a) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule. The product (2 variants) was proposed for listing at a unit price of \$1.458, with a pack size of 60 and a maximum monthly quantity of 60 units.

Comparator

The applicant nominated ConvaTec Ease (SAS Code 80188K) as the comparator. The comparator product (2 variants) is currently listed in subgroup 9(a) of the SAS Schedule at the unit price of \$1.458, with a pack size of 60 and a maximum monthly quantity of 60 units.

Background

This was the Stoma Product Assessment Panel's (the Panel) first consideration of this product.

Clinical Place for the Product

The proposed product provides an alternative for users requiring an adhesive barrier.

Clinical Analysis

The Panel noted that this was a rebranding of an existing product range.

Economic Analysis

The Panel noted that the listing of this new product at the same price and the same maximum monthly quantity as currently listed products in the same subgroup will result in the same monthly cost to the SAS.

Financial Analysis

Listing of this product is unlikely to have a budgetary impact for the SAS as it will be listed at the same price and the same maximum monthly quantity as currently listed products in the same subgroup, resulting in the same monthly cost to the SAS.

Panel Recommendation

The Panel recommended that the ConvaTec Esenta be listed in subgroup 9(a) of the SAS Schedule with 2 variants, at the unit price of \$1.458, with a pack size of 60 and a maximum monthly quantity of 60 units.

Context for Recommendation

The Panel provides advice on whether stoma products should be subsidised and, if so, the conditions of their subsidisation in Australia. Applications are considered in this context. Panel advice not to recommend listing or changes to a listing does not represent a final Panel view about the merits of a particular stoma product. A company can resubmit to the Panel following advice not to recommend listing or changes to a listing. The Panel is an advisory committee and as such its recommendations are non-binding on Government. All Panel recommendations are subject to Government approval.



Applicant's Comment

The applicant noted the recommendation.



ConvaTec Esenta – CC#02OCTOBER2023

Proposed Listing on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought listing of ConvaTec Cure Catheter in subgroup 8(c) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule. The product (16 variants) was proposed for listing at a unit price of \$1.034, with a pack size of 30 and a maximum monthly quantity of 90 units.

Comparator

The applicant nominated Unomedical Nelaton (SAS Code 3671F) as the comparator. The comparator product (28 variants) is currently listed in subgroup 8(c) of the SAS Schedule at the unit price of \$1.034, with a pack size of 100 and a maximum monthly quantity of 100 units.

Background

This was the Stoma Product Assessment Panel's (the Panel) first consideration of this product.

Clinical Place for the Product

The proposed product would provide an alternative for users requiring an intermittent catheter.

Clinical Analysis

The Panel noted that these catheters are used for self-catheterisation and that catheter products for self-catheterisation have limited utility for ostomates.

Economic Analysis

The Panel noted that if the listing of this new product was recommended, it would be recommended for listing at the same price and same maximum monthly quantity as currently listed products in the same subgroup, resulting in the same monthly cost to the SAS Schedule.

Financial Analysis

The Panel noted that, should listing of this product be recommended in the future, the likely budgetary impact for the SAS would be dependent on the agreed price per unit and maximum quantity in comparison to other products listed in the same group and subgroup.

Panel Recommendation

The Panel considered the appropriateness of catheter products on the SAS Schedule and noted the limited utility of catheter products in ostomates for the purposes of the SAS. The Panel agreed to defer the consideration of the application to list ConvaTec Cure Catheter in subgroup 8(c) with 16 variants pending the conclusion of the SAS Schedule Review. This Review will consider whether catheter products should continue to be listed on the SAS Schedule.



Context for Recommendation

The Panel provides advice on whether stoma products should be subsidised and, if so, the conditions of their subsidisation in Australia. Applications are considered in this context. Panel advice not to recommend listing or changes to a listing does not represent a final Panel view about the merits of a particular stoma product. A company can resubmit to the Panel following advice not to recommend listing or changes to a listing. The Panel is an advisory committee and as such its recommendations are non-binding on Government. All Panel recommendations are subject to Government approval.

Applicant's Comment

The applicant noted the recommendation.



ConvaTec Cure Catheter Tiemann/Coude Tip – CC#03OCTOBER2023

Proposed Listing on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought listing of ConvaTec Cure Catheter Tiemann/Coude Tip in subgroup 8(c) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule. The product (5 variants) was proposed for listing at a unit price of \$1.657, with a pack size of 30 and a maximum monthly quantity of 90 units.

Comparator

The applicant nominated Unomedical Tiemann Tip (SAS Code 9962H) as the comparator. The comparator product (4 variants) is currently listed in subgroup 8(c) of the SAS Schedule at the unit price of \$1.657, with a pack size of 100 and a maximum monthly quantity of 100 units.

Background

This was the Stoma Product Assessment Panel's (the Panel) first consideration of this product.

Clinical Place for the Product

The proposed product would provide an alternative for users requiring an intermittent catheter.

Clinical Analysis

The Panel noted that these catheters are used for self-catheterisation and that catheter products for self-catheterisation have limited utility for ostomates.

Economic Analysis

The Panel noted that if the listing of this new product was recommended, it would be recommended for listing at the same price and same maximum monthly quantity as currently listed products in the same subgroup, resulting in the same monthly cost to the SAS Schedule.

Financial Analysis

The Panel noted that, should listing of this product be recommended in the future, the likely budgetary impact for the SAS would be dependent on the agreed price per unit and maximum quantity in comparison to other products listed in the same group and subgroup.

Panel Recommendation

The Panel considered the appropriateness of catheter products on the SAS Schedule and noted the limited utility of catheter products in ostomates for the purposes of the SAS. The Panel deferred the application for ConvaTec Cure Catheter Tiemann/Coude Tip in subgroup 8(c) of the SAS Schedule with 5 variants, at the unit price of \$1.657, with a pack size of 30 and a maximum monthly quantity of 90 units, pending the conclusion of the SAS Schedule Review. This Review will consider whether catheter products should continue to be listed on the SAS Schedule.



Context for Recommendation

The Panel provides advice on whether stoma products should be subsidised and, if so, the conditions of their subsidisation in Australia. Applications are considered in this context. Panel advice not to recommend listing or changes to a listing does not represent a final Panel view about the merits of a particular stoma product. A company can resubmit to the Panel following advice not to recommend listing or changes to a listing. The Panel is an advisory committee and as such its recommendations are non-binding on Government. All Panel recommendations are subject to Government approval.

Applicant's Comment

The applicant noted the recommendation.



Unomedical Nelaton - CC#04OCTOBER2023

Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought the deletion of the entire product range of the current listing of Unomedical Nelaton (SAS Code 3671F) in subgroup 8(c) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule, as it is no longer manufactured. The product, with 28 variants, is currently listed at a unit price of \$1.034 with a pack size of 100 and a maximum monthly quantity of 100 units.

Substitute products

Coloplast Self-Cath (SAS Code: 9867H)

Variants to be deleted

Company Code	Description
001-06-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, firm, 6,
001-08-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, firm, 8,
001-10-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, firm, 10,
001-12-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, firm, 12,
001-14-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, firm, 14,
001-16-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, firm, 16,
001-18-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, firm, 18,
001-20-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, firm, 20,
002-06-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, firm, 6, double wrapped,
002-08-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, firm, 8, double wrapped,
002-10-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, firm, 10, double wrapped,
002-12-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, firm, 12, double wrapped,
002-14-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, firm, 14, double wrapped,
002-16-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, firm, 16, double wrapped,
002-18-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, firm, 18, double wrapped,
002-20-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, firm, 20, double wrapped,
003-10-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, soft, 10,
003-12-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, soft, 12,
003-14-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, soft, 14,
003-16-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, soft, 16,
003-18-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, soft, 18,
003-20-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, soft, 20,
006-10-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, soft, 10, double wrapped,
006-12-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, soft, 12, double wrapped,
006-14-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, soft, 14, double wrapped,



006-16-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, soft, 16, double wrapped,
006-18-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, soft, 18, double wrapped,
006-20-040	nelaton catheter, suitable for intermittent drainage, standard rounded tip, soft, 20, double wrapped,

Background

This product was first listed on the SAS Schedule on 1 April 2011.

Clinical Place for the Product

Not applicable.

Financial Analysis

Substitute products are currently listed in subgroup 8(c) of the SAS Schedule at the same cost and maximum monthly quantity. It is unlikely that there would be any budgetary impact for the SAS as a consequence of deleting this product.

Recommendation

As this was an administrative change, this application was considered by the Stoma Product Assessment Panel (the Panel) secretariat in line with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*. The Panel secretariat noted there are equivalent products remaining on the Schedule and recommended the deletion of the entire product range of Unomedical Nelaton (SAS Code 3671F) listed in subgroup 8(c) of the SAS Schedule. The Panel noted the secretariat's recommendation at the October 2023 meeting.

ConvaTec is to advise stoma associations, ostomates, stomal therapy nurses and the Australian Council of Stoma Associations of the deletion. A period of approximately 6 months from the date of the recommendation (24 October 2023) should be given to allow users of the product to seek a suitable alternative and to enable stoma associations to manage their stock levels.

Context for Recommendation

The Panel secretariat, in accordance with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*, usually processes deletions to products. This includes consideration of whether appropriate alternative products remain available on the SAS Schedule. Suggested alternative products are noted by the secretariat but not referenced in the SAS Schedule.

Applicant's Comment

The applicant noted the recommendation.



Unomedical Night Drainage Bag - CC#05OCTOBER2023

Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought the deletion of the entire product range of the current listing of Unomedical Night Drainage Bag (SAS Code 3652F) in subgroup 9(i) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule, as it is no longer manufactured. The product, with 2 variants, is currently listed at a unit price of \$2.190, with a pack size of one and a maximum monthly quantity of 5 units.

Substitute products

Unomedical Night Drainage Bag (SAS Code: 3653G)

Variants to be deleted

Company Code	Description
370050C	2 litre capacity, non-sterile urine drainage bag, 100cm inlet tube, NRV push/pull tap
372060-20	2 litre capacity, DEHP free, non-sterile urine drainage bag, 110cm inlet tube, NRV push/pull tap

Background

This product was first listed on the SAS Schedule on 1 April 2011.

Clinical Place for the Product

Not applicable.

Financial Analysis

Substitute products are currently listed in subgroup 9(i) of the SAS Schedule at the same cost and maximum monthly quantity. It is unlikely that there would be any budgetary impact for the SAS as a consequence of deleting this product.

Recommendation

As this was an administrative change, this application was considered by the Stoma Product Assessment Panel (the Panel) secretariat in line with the SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines. The Panel secretariat noted there are equivalent products remaining on the Schedule and recommended the deletion of the entire product range of Unomedical Night Drainage Bag (SAS Code 3652F) listed in subgroup 9(i) of the SAS Schedule. The Panel noted the recommendation at its October 2023 meeting.

ConvaTec is to advise stoma associations, ostomates, stomal therapy nurses and the Australian Council of Stoma Associations of the deletion. A period of approximately 6 months from the date of the recommendation (24 October 2023) should be given to allow users of the product to seek a suitable alternative and to enable stoma associations to manage their stock levels.

Context for Recommendation

The Panel secretariat, in accordance with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*, usually processes deletions to products. This includes consideration of whether appropriate



alternative products remain available on the SAS Schedule. Suggested alternative products are noted by the Panel secretariat but not referenced in the SAS Schedule.

[Applicant's Comment](#)

The applicant noted the recommendation.



ConvaTec Active Life – CC#06OCTOBER2023

Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought the deletion of 2 variants from the current listing of ConvaTec Active Life (SAS Code 3699Q) in subgroup 2(a) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule, as it is being discontinued. The product, including 6 variants, is currently listed at a unit price of \$1.540, which is \$-0.314 per unit below the benchmark price, with a pack size of 10 and a maximum monthly quantity of 60 units.

Substitute products

Other variants of ConvaTec Active Life (SAS code: 3699Q)

Variants to be deleted

Company Code	Description
22761	No filter, opaque with fabric backing, medium, clip closure, hydrocolloid baseplate, flat, self-adhesive, standard wear, diamond, pre cut
22762	No filter, opaque with fabric backing, medium, clip closer, hydrocolloid baseplate, flat, self-adhesive, standard wear, diamond, pre cut

Background

This product was first listed on the SAS Schedule on 1 April 2011.

Clinical Place for the Product

Not applicable.

Financial Analysis

Substitute products are currently listed in subgroup 2(a) of the SAS Schedule at the same cost and maximum monthly quantity. It is unlikely there would be any budgetary impact for the SAS as a consequence of deleting 2 variants of the product.

Recommendation

As this was an administrative change, this application was considered by the Stoma Product Assessment Panel (the Panel) secretariat in line with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*. The Panel secretariat noted equivalent products remained on the Schedule and recommended the deletion of 2 variants from the product range (6 variants) for ConvaTec Active Life (SAS Code 3699Q) listed in subgroup 2(a) of the SAS Schedule. The Panel noted the secretariat's recommendation at the October 2023 meeting.

ConvaTec is to advise stoma associations, ostomates, stomal therapy nurses and the Australian Council of Stoma Associations of the deletion. A period of approximately 6 months from the date of the recommendation (24 October 2023) should be given to allow users of the product to seek a suitable alternative and to enable stoma associations to manage their stock levels.

Context for Recommendation

The Panel secretariat, in accordance with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*, usually processes deletions to products. This includes consideration of whether appropriate



alternative products remain available on the SAS Schedule. Suggested alternative products are noted by the secretariat but not referenced in the SAS Schedule.

[Applicant's Comment](#)

The applicant noted the recommendation.



ConvaTec Orabase - CC#07OCTOBER2023

Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought the deletion of the entire product range of the current listing of ConvaTec Orabase (SAS Code 3787H in subgroup 9(f) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule, as it is no longer manufactured. The product, with one variant, is currently listed at a unit price of \$8.740, with a pack size of one and a maximum monthly quantity of 2 units.

Substitute products

There is no substitute product currently available on the SAS Schedule.

Variant to be deleted

Company Code	Description
149715	Protective paste, 15g tube

Background

This product was first listed on the SAS Schedule on 1 April 2011.

Clinical Place for the Product

Not applicable.

Financial Analysis

There are no substitute products available in subgroup 9(f) of the SAS Schedule at the same cost and maximum monthly quantity. It is expected the deletion will have a budgetary impact with an estimated save for the SAS which will be confirmed by the Department of Finance.

Panel Recommendation

The Stoma Product Assessment Panel (the Panel) recommended the deletion of the entire product range of ConvaTec Orabase (SAS Code 3787H) listed in subgroup 9(f) of the SAS Schedule. The Panel noted there is no equivalent product remaining on the Schedule.

ConvaTec is to advise stoma associations, ostomates, stomal therapy nurses and the Australian Council of Stoma Associations of the deletion. A period of approximately 6 months from the date of the recommendation (24 October 2023) should be given to allow users of the product to seek a suitable alternative and to enable stoma associations to manage their stock levels. As there are no substitute products listed on the SAS Schedule, the Panel secretariat will also inform stoma associations and the Australian Association of Stomal Therapy Nurses of the product deletion prior to the SAS Schedule update.

Context for Recommendation

The Panel's discussion of deletion requests includes consideration of whether appropriate alternative products remain available on the SAS Schedule.

Applicant's Comment

The applicant noted the recommendation.



Unomedical A4 Drainage Bag - CC#08OCTOBER2023

Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought the deletion of the entire product range of the current listing of Unomedical A4 Drainage Bag (SAS Code 3800B) in subgroup 9(i) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule, as it is no longer manufactured. The product, with one variant, is currently listed at a unit price of \$2.190, with a pack size of one and a maximum monthly quantity of 5 units.

Substitute products

The sponsor did not nominate a substitute product.

Variant to be deleted

Company Code	Description
38551S	2L Sterile Kombikon sample port, 120cm inlet tube, cross outlet tap

Background

This product was first listed on the SAS Schedule on 1 April 2011.

Clinical Place for the Product

Not applicable.

Financial Analysis

While the sponsor did not nominate a substitute product, alternative products are currently listed in subgroup 9(i) of the SAS Schedule at the same cost and maximum monthly quantity. It is unlikely that there would be any budgetary impact for the SAS as a consequence of deleting this product.

Recommendation

As this was an administrative change, this application was considered by the Stoma Product Assessment Panel (the Panel) secretariat in line with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*. The Panel secretariat noted there are equivalent products remaining on the Schedule and recommended the deletion of the entire product range of Unomedical A4 Drainage Bag (SAS Code 3800B) listed in subgroup 9(i) of the SAS Schedule. The Panel noted the secretariat's recommendation at the October 2023 meeting.

ConvaTec is to advise stoma associations, ostomates, stomal therapy nurses and the Australian Council of Stoma Associations of the deletion. A period of approximately 6 months from the date of the recommendation (24 October 2023) should be given to allow users of the product to seek a suitable alternative and to enable stoma associations to manage their stock levels.

Context for Recommendation

The Panel secretariat, in accordance with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*, usually processes deletions to products. This includes consideration of whether appropriate alternative products remain available on the SAS Schedule.



Applicant's Comment

The applicant noted the recommendation.



ConvaTec Esteem Synergy - CC#09OCTOBER2023

Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought the deletion of the entire product range of the current listing of ConvaTec Esteem Synergy (SAS Code 3884K) in subgroup 4(d) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule, as it is no longer manufactured. The product, with one variant, is currently listed at a unit price of \$5.005, which is \$-0.227 per unit below the benchmark price, with a pack size of 10 and a maximum monthly quantity of 30 units.

Substitute products

The sponsor did not nominate a substitute product.

Variant to be deleted

Company Code	Description
405483	Adhesive coupling, 89mm ring, hydrocolloid, baseplate, flat, self-adhesive, standard wear, square, cut-to-fit, 13mm-89mm

Background

This product was first listed on the SAS Schedule on 1 April 2011.

Clinical Place for the Product

Not applicable.

Financial Analysis

While the sponsor did not nominate a substitute product, alternative products are currently listed in subgroup 4(d) of the SAS Schedule at the same cost and maximum monthly quantity. It is unlikely that there would be any budgetary impact for the SAS as a consequence of deleting this product.

Recommendation

As this was an administrative change, this application was considered by the Stoma Product Assessment Panel (the Panel) secretariat in line with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*. The Panel secretariat noted there are equivalent products remaining on the Schedule and recommended the deletion of the entire product range of ConvaTec Esteem Synergy (SAS Code 3884K) listed in subgroup 4(d) of the SAS Schedule. The secretariat's recommendation was noted by the Panel at the October 2023 meeting.

ConvaTec is to advise stoma associations, ostomates, stomal therapy nurses and the Australian Council of Stoma Associations of the deletion. A period of approximately 6 months from the date of the recommendation (24 October 2023) should be given to allow users of the product to seek a suitable alternative and to enable stoma associations to manage their stock levels.

Context for Recommendation

The Panel secretariat, in accordance with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*, usually processes deletions to products. This includes consideration of whether appropriate alternative products remain available on the SAS Schedule.



Applicant's Comment

The applicant noted the recommendation.



ConvaTec Active Life – CC#10OCTOBER2023

Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought the deletion of one variant from the current listing of ConvaTec Active Life (SAS Code 3993E) in subgroup 2(b) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule, as it is being discontinued. The product, including 5 variants, is currently listed at a unit price of \$3.320, which is \$-2.454 per unit below the benchmark price, with a pack size of 5 and a maximum monthly quantity of 30 units.

Substitute products

Other variants of ConvaTec Active Life (SAS code: 3993E)

Variant to be deleted

Company Code	Description
175781	No filter, transparent with fabric backing, medium, clip closure, belt loops on pouch, hydrocolloid baseplate, medium convexity, firm baseplate material, self-adhesive with tape border, standard wear, diamond, pre-cut, 32mm

Background

This product was first listed on the SAS Schedule on 1 April 2011.

Clinical Place for the Product

Not applicable.

Financial Analysis

Substitute products are currently listed in subgroup 2(b) of the SAS Schedule at the same cost and maximum monthly quantity. It is unlikely there would be any budgetary impact for the SAS as a consequence of deleting one variant of the product.

Recommendation

As this was an administrative change, this application was considered by the Stoma Product Assessment Panel (the Panel) secretariat in line with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*. The Panel secretariat noted there are equivalent products remaining on the Schedule and recommended the deletion of one variant from the product range (5 variants) for ConvaTec Active Life (SAS Code 3993E) listed in subgroup 2(b) of the SAS Schedule. The Panel noted the secretariat's recommendation at the October 2023 meeting.

ConvaTec is to advise stoma associations, ostomates, stomal therapy nurses and the Australian Council of Stoma Associations of the deletion. A period of approximately 6 months from the date of the recommendation (24 October 2023) should be given to allow users of the product to seek a suitable alternative and to enable stoma associations to manage their stock levels.

Context for Recommendation

The Panel secretariat, in accordance with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*, usually processes deletions to products. This includes consideration of whether appropriate



alternative products remain available on the SAS Schedule. Suggested alternative products are noted by the secretariat but not referenced in the SAS Schedule.

[Applicant's Comment](#)

The applicant noted the recommendation.



ConvaTec Esteem+ – CC#11OCTOBER2023

Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought the deletion of 3 variants from the current listing of ConvaTec Esteem+ (SAS Code 5678W) in subgroup 2(a) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule, as it is being discontinued. The product, including 6 variants, is currently listed at a unit price of \$4.674, with a pack size of 10 and a maximum monthly quantity of 30 units.

Substitute products

Other variants of ConvaTec Esteem+ (SAS code: 5678W)

Variants to be deleted

Company Code	Description
416724	Single carbon filter, transparent with fabric backing, medium, hook and loop closure, no belt loops, hydrocolloid baseplate, self-adhesive, standard wear, oval, pre-cut, 25mm
416728	Single carbon filter, transparent with fabric backing, medium, hook and loop closure, no belt loops, hydrocolloid baseplate, self-adhesive, standard wear, oval, pre-cut, 30mm
416732	Single carbon filter, transparent with fabric backing, medium, hook and loop closure, no belt loops, hydrocolloid baseplate, self-adhesive, standard wear, oval, pre-cut, 35mm

Background

This product was first listed on the SAS Schedule on 1 April 2011.

Clinical Place for the Product

Not applicable.

Financial Analysis

Substitute products are currently listed in subgroup 2(a) of the SAS Schedule at the same cost and maximum monthly quantity. It is unlikely there would be any budgetary impact for the SAS as a consequence of deleting 3 variants of the product.

Recommendation

As this was an administrative change, this application was considered by the Stoma Product Assessment Panel (the Panel) secretariat in line with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*. The Panel secretariat noted there are equivalent products remaining on the Schedule and recommended the deletion of 3 variants from the product range (6 variants) for ConvaTec Esteem+ (SAS Code 5678W) listed in subgroup 2(a) of the SAS Schedule. The Panel noted the secretariat's recommendation at the October 2023 meeting.

ConvaTec is to advise stoma associations, ostomates, stomal therapy nurses and the Australian Council of Stoma Associations of the deletion. A period of approximately 6 months from the date of the recommendation (24 October 2023) should be given to allow users of the product to seek a suitable alternative and to enable stoma associations to manage their stock levels.



Context for Recommendation

The Panel secretariat, in accordance with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*, usually processes deletions to products. This includes consideration of whether appropriate alternative products remain available on the SAS Schedule. Suggested alternative products are noted by the secretariat but not referenced in the SAS Schedule.

Applicant's Comment

The applicant noted the recommendation.



ConvaTec Sur-Fit Natura – CC#12OCTOBER2023

Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought the deletion of one variant from the current listing of ConvaTec Sur-Fit Natura (SAS Code 5681B) in subgroup 4(c) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule, as it is being discontinued. The product, including 12 variants, is currently listed at a unit price of \$5.839, with a pack size of 10 and a maximum monthly quantity of 20 units.

Substitute products

Other variants of ConvaTec Sur-Fit Natura (SAS code: 5681B)

Variant to be deleted

Company Code	Description
413177	no belt loops, 45mm ring, hydrocolloid baseplate, deep convexity, firm baseplate material, self-adhesive with tape border, standard wear, square, pre-cut, 13mm

Background

This product was first listed on the SAS Schedule on 1 April 2011.

Clinical Place for the Product

Not applicable.

Financial Analysis

Substitute products are currently listed in subgroup 4(c) of the SAS Schedule at the same cost and maximum monthly quantity. It is unlikely there would be any budgetary impact for the SAS as a consequence of deleting one variant of the product.

Recommendation

As this was an administrative change, this application was considered by the Stoma Product Assessment Panel (the Panel) secretariat in line with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*. The Panel secretariat noted there are equivalent products remaining on the Schedule and recommended the deletion of one variant from the product range (12 variants) for ConvaTec Sur-Fit Natura (SAS Code 5681B) listed in subgroup 4(c) of the SAS Schedule. The Panel noted the secretariat's recommendation at the October 2023 meeting.

ConvaTec is to advise stoma associations, ostomates, stomal therapy nurses and the Australian Council of Stoma Associations of the deletion. A period of approximately 6 months from the date of the recommendation (24 October 2023) should be given to allow users of the product to seek a suitable alternative and to enable stoma associations to manage their stock levels.

Context for Recommendation

The Panel secretariat, in accordance with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*, usually processes deletions to products. This includes consideration of whether appropriate alternative products remain available on the SAS Schedule. Suggested alternative products are noted by the secretariat but not referenced in the SAS Schedule.



Applicant's Comment

The applicant noted the recommendation.



ConvaTec Natura+ – CC#13OCTOBER2023

Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought the deletion of 2 variants from the current listing of ConvaTec Natura+ (SAS Code 5683D) in subgroup 5(a) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule, as it is being discontinued. The product, including 16 variants, is currently listed at a unit price of \$1.564 with a pack size of 30 and a maximum monthly quantity of 90 units.

Substitute products

Other variants of ConvaTec Sur-Fit Natura+ (SAS code: 5683D)

Variants to be deleted

Company Code	Description
421794	Protected single carbon filter, transparent with fabric backing on both sides including viewing window, small, 250ml, low headspace, belt loops on each side of pouch, mechanical coupling, 32mm ring
421799	Protected single carbon filter, transparent with fabric backing on both sides including viewing window, large, 660ml, low headspace, belt loops on each side of pouch, mechanical coupling, 32mm ring

Background

This product was first listed on the SAS Schedule on 1 April 2011.

Clinical Place for the Product

Not applicable.

Financial Analysis

Substitute products are currently listed in subgroup 5(a) of the SAS Schedule at the same cost and maximum monthly quantity. It is unlikely there would be any budgetary impact for the SAS as a consequence of deleting 2 variants of the product.

Recommendation

As this was an administrative change, this application was considered by the Stoma Product Assessment Panel (the Panel) secretariat in line with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*. The Panel secretariat noted there are equivalent products remaining on the Schedule and recommended the deletion of 2 variants from the product range (16 variants) for ConvaTec Natura+ (SAS Code 5683D) listed in subgroup 5(a) of the SAS Schedule. The Panel noted the secretariat's recommendation at the October 2023 meeting.

ConvaTec is to advise stoma associations, ostomates, stomal therapy nurses and the Australian Council of Stoma Associations of the deletion. A period of approximately 6 months from the date of the recommendation (24 October 2023) should be given to allow users of the product to seek a suitable alternative and to enable stoma associations to manage their stock levels.

Context for Recommendation

The Panel secretariat, in accordance with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*, usually processes deletions to products. This includes consideration of whether appropriate



alternative products remain available on the SAS Schedule. Suggested alternative products are noted by the secretariat but not referenced in the SAS Schedule.

[Applicant's Comment](#)

The applicant noted the recommendation.



ConvaTec Esteem Synergy+ – CC#14OCTOBER2023

Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought the deletion of 2 variants from the current listing of ConvaTec Esteem Synergy+ (SAS Code 5684E) in subgroup 5(b) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule, as it is being discontinued. The product, including 7 variants, is currently listed at a unit price of \$1.564, with a pack size of 30 and a maximum monthly quantity of 90 units. The sponsor had previously sought the deletion of one of these variants, product code 416780, at the Stoma Product Assessment Panel's (the Panel) 2 May 2023 meeting and this variant was removed from the Schedule on 1 October 2023.

Substitute products

Other variants of ConvaTec Esteem Synergy+ (SAS code: 5684E)

Variant to be deleted

Company Code	Description
416777	single carbon filter, opaque with fabric cover on both sides, small, no belt loops, adhesive coupling, 35mm ring

Background

This product was first listed on the SAS Schedule on 1 April 2011.

Clinical Place for the Product

Not applicable.

Financial Analysis

Substitute products are currently listed in subgroup 5(b) of the SAS Schedule at the same cost and maximum monthly quantity. It is unlikely there would be any budgetary impact for the SAS as a consequence of deleting one variant of the product.

Recommendation

As this was an administrative change, this application was considered by the Panel secretariat in line with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*. The Panel secretariat noted there are equivalent products remaining on the Schedule and recommended the deletion of one variant from the product range (7 variants) for ConvaTec Esteem Synergy+ (SAS Code 5684E) listed in subgroup 5(b) of the SAS Schedule. The Panel noted the secretariat's recommendation at the October 2023 meeting.

ConvaTec is to advise stoma associations, ostomates, stomal therapy nurses and the Australian Council of Stoma Associations of the deletion. A period of approximately 6 months from the date of the recommendation (24 October 2023) should be given to allow users of the product to seek a suitable alternative and to enable stoma associations to manage their stock levels.

Context for Recommendation

The Panel secretariat, in accordance with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*, usually processes deletions to products. This includes consideration of whether appropriate



alternative products remain available on the SAS Schedule. Suggested alternative products are noted by the secretariat but not referenced in the SAS Schedule.

[Applicant's Comment](#)

The applicant noted the recommendation.



ConvaTec Esteem Synergy+ – CC#15OCTOBER2023

Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought the deletion of 3 variants from the current listing of ConvaTec Esteem Synergy+ (SAS Code 5686G) in subgroup 6(b) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule, as it is being discontinued. The product, including 6 variants, is currently listed at a unit price of \$3.504, with a pack size of 10 and a maximum monthly quantity of 30 units.

Substitute products

Other variants of ConvaTec Esteem Synergy+ (SAS Code 5686G)

Variants to be deleted

Company Code	Description
416795	Single carbon filter, transparent with fabric backing, medium, hook and loop closure, no belt loops, adhesive coupling, 35mm ring
416798	Single carbon filter, transparent with fabric backing, medium, hook and loop closure, no belt loops, adhesive coupling, 48mm ring
416901	Single carbon filter, transparent with fabric backing, medium, hook and loop closure, no belt loops, adhesive coupling, 61mm ring

Background

This product was first listed on the SAS Schedule on 21 November 2011.

Clinical Place for the Product

Not applicable.

Financial Analysis

Substitute products are currently listed in subgroup 6(b) of the SAS Schedule at the same cost and maximum monthly quantity. It is unlikely there would be any budgetary impact for the SAS as a consequence of deleting one variant of the product.

Recommendation

As this was an administrative change, this application was considered by the Stoma Product Assessment Panel (the Panel) secretariat in line with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*. The Panel secretariat noted there are equivalent products remaining on the Schedule and recommended the deletion of 3 variants from the product range (6 variants) for ConvaTec Esteem Synergy+ (SAS Code 5686G) listed in subgroup 6(b) of the SAS Schedule. The Panel noted the secretariat’s recommendation at the October 2023 meeting.

ConvaTec is to advise stoma associations, ostomates, stomal therapy nurses and the Australian Council of Stoma Associations of the deletion. A period of approximately 6 months from the date of the recommendation (24 October 2023) should be given to allow users of the product to seek a suitable alternative and to enable stoma associations to manage their stock levels.



Context for Recommendation

The Panel secretariat, in accordance with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*, usually processes deletions to products. This includes consideration of whether appropriate alternative products remain available on the SAS Schedule. Suggested alternative products are noted by the secretariat but not referenced in the SAS Schedule.

Applicant's Comment

The applicant noted the recommendation.



ConvaTec Esteem Synergy – CC#16OCTOBER2023

Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought the deletion of one variant from the current listing of ConvaTec Esteem Synergy (SAS Code 9786C) in subgroup 4(d) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule, as it is being discontinued. The product, including 2 variants, is currently listed at a unit price of \$5.232, with a pack size of 10 and a maximum monthly quantity of 20 units.

Substitute products

Other variant of ConvaTec Esteem Synergy (SAS Code 9786C)

Variant to be deleted

Company Code	Description
411657	Adhesive coupling, 48mm ring, hydrocolloid baseplate, mouldable, flat, tape border, standard wear, pre-cut mouldable, 13mm-25mm

Background

This product was first listed on the SAS Schedule on 1 April 2011.

Clinical Place for the Product

Not applicable.

Financial Analysis

Substitute products are currently listed in subgroup 4(d) of the SAS Schedule at the same cost and maximum monthly quantity. It is unlikely there would be any budgetary impact for the SAS as a consequence of deleting one variant of the product.

Recommendation

As this was an administrative change, this application was considered by the Stoma Product Assessment Panel (the Panel) secretariat in line with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*. The Panel secretariat noted there are equivalent products remaining on the Schedule and recommended the deletion of one variant from the product range (2 variants) for ConvaTec Esteem Synergy (SAS Code 9786C) listed in subgroup 4(d) of the SAS Schedule. The Panel noted the secretariat's recommendation at the October 2023 meeting.

ConvaTec is to advise stoma associations, ostomates, stomal therapy nurses and the Australian Council of Stoma Associations of the deletion. A period of approximately 6 months from the date of the recommendation (24 October 2023) should be given to allow users of the product to seek a suitable alternative and to enable stoma associations to manage their stock levels.

Context for Recommendation

The Panel secretariat, in accordance with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*, usually processes deletions to products. This includes consideration of whether appropriate alternative products remain available on the SAS Schedule. Suggested alternative products are noted by the secretariat but not referenced in the SAS Schedule.



Applicant's Comment

The applicant noted the recommendation.



Unomedical Tiemann Tip - CC#17OCTOBER2023

Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought the deletion of the entire product range of the current listing of Unomedical Tiemann Tip (SAS Code 9962H) in subgroup 8(c) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule, as it is no longer manufactured. The product, with 4 variants, is currently listed at a unit price of \$1.657, with a pack size of 100 and a maximum monthly quantity of 100 units.

Substitute products

Hollister Apogee Essentials Intermittent Catheter (SAS: 80157T)

Variants to be deleted

Company Code	Description
3007182	RESTRICTED – intermittent catheter with Tiemann tip (angled, tapered tip) 10, R1
3008182	RESTRICTED – intermittent catheter with Tiemann tip (angled, tapered tip) 12, R1
3009182	RESTRICTED – intermittent catheter with Tiemann tip (angled, tapered tip) 14, R1
3011182	RESTRICTED – intermittent catheter with Tiemann tip (angled, tapered tip) 16, R1

Background

This product was first listed on the SAS Schedule on 1 April 2011.

Clinical Place for the Product

Not applicable.

Financial Analysis

Substitute products are currently listed in subgroup 8(c) of the SAS Schedule at the same cost and maximum monthly quantity. It is therefore unlikely that there would be any budgetary impact for the SAS as a consequence of deleting this product.

Recommendation

As this was an administrative change, this application was considered by the Stoma Product Assessment Panel (the Panel) secretariat in line with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*. The Panel secretariat noted there are equivalent products remaining on the Schedule and recommended the deletion of the entire product range of Unomedical Tiemann Tip (SAS Code 9962H) listed in subgroup 8(c) of the SAS Schedule. The Panel noted the secretariat's recommendation at the October 2023 meeting.

ConvaTec is to advise stoma associations, ostomates, stomal therapy nurses and the Australian Council of Stoma Associations of the deletion. A period of approximately 6 months from the date of the recommendation (24 October 2023) should be given to allow users of the product to seek a suitable alternative and to enable stoma associations to manage their stock levels.

Context for Recommendation

The Panel secretariat, in accordance with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*, usually processes deletions to products. This includes consideration of whether appropriate



alternative products remain available on the SAS Schedule. Suggested alternative products are noted by the secretariat but not referenced in the SAS Schedule.

[Applicant's Comment](#)

The applicant noted the recommendation.



ConvaTec Esteem+ Mouldable – CC#18OCTOBER2023

Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought the deletion of one variant from the current listing of ConvaTec Esteem+ Mouldable (SAS Code 80004R) in subgroup 2(a) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule, as it is being discontinued. The product, including 6 variants, is currently listed at a unit price of \$4.674, with a pack size of 10 and a maximum monthly quantity of 30 units.

Substitute products

Other variants of ConvaTec Esteem+ Mouldable (SAS Code: 80004R)

Variant to be deleted

Company Code	Description
413517	Protected single carbon filter, transparent with fabric backing, small, 460ml, low headspace, integrated closure, no belt loops, 1.8mm, hydrocolloid self-adhesive, standard wear, oval, pre-cut mouldable, 33mm-45mm, no release tabs

Background

This product was first listed on the SAS Schedule on 1 July 2016.

Clinical Place for the Product

Not applicable.

Financial Analysis

Substitute products are currently listed in subgroup 2(a) of the SAS Schedule at the same cost and maximum monthly quantity. It is unlikely there would be any budgetary impact for the SAS as a consequence of deleting one variant of the product.

Recommendation

As this was an administrative change, this application was considered by the Panel secretariat in line with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*. The Panel secretariat noted there are equivalent products remaining on the Schedule and recommended the deletion of one variant from the product range (6 variants) for ConvaTec Esteem+ Mouldable (SAS Code 80004R) listed in subgroup 2(a) of the SAS Schedule. The Panel noted the secretariat's recommendation at the October 2023 meeting.

ConvaTec is to advise stoma associations, ostomates, stomal therapy nurses and the Australian Council of Stoma Associations of the deletion. A period of approximately 6 months from the date of the recommendation (24 October 2023) should be given to allow users of the product to seek a suitable alternative and to enable stoma associations to manage their stock levels.

Context for Recommendation

The Panel secretariat, in accordance with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*, usually processes deletions to products. This includes consideration of whether appropriate



alternative products remain available on the SAS Schedule. Suggested alternative products are noted by the secretariat but not referenced in the SAS Schedule.

[Applicant's Comment](#)

The applicant noted the recommendation.



ConvaTec Natura Accordion Cut-To-Fit – CC#19OCTOBER2023

Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought the deletion of one variant from the current listing of ConvaTec Natura Accordion Cut-To-Fit (SAS Code 80057M) in subgroup 4(a) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule, as it is being discontinued. The product, including 6 variants, is currently listed at a unit price of \$4.141, with a pack size of 10 and a maximum monthly quantity of 30 units.

Substitute products

Other variants of ConvaTec Natura Accordion Cut-To-Fit (SAS Code 80057M)

Variant to be deleted

Company Code	Description
421456	No belt loops, mechanical coupling, 45mm ring, floating flange, 1.65mm, hydrocolloid baseplate, hydrocolloid self-adhesive with tape-border, standard wear, square, cut-to-fit, 13mm-21mm, no release tabs

Background

This product was first listed on the SAS Schedule on 1 October 2017.

Clinical Place for the Product

Not applicable.

Financial Analysis

Substitute products are currently listed in subgroup 4(a) of the SAS Schedule at the same cost and maximum monthly quantity. It is unlikely there would be any budgetary impact for the SAS as a consequence of deleting one variant of the product.

Recommendation

As this was an administrative change, this application was considered by the Stoma Product Assessment Panel (the Panel) secretariat in line with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*. The Panel secretariat noted there are equivalent products remaining on the Schedule and recommended the deletion of one variant from the product range (6 variants) for ConvaTec Natura Accordion Cut-To-Fit (SAS Code 80057M) listed in subgroup 4(a) of the SAS Schedule. The Panel noted the secretariat's recommendation at the October 2023 meeting.

ConvaTec is to advise stoma associations, ostomates, stomal therapy nurses and the Australian Council of Stoma Associations of the deletion. A period of approximately 6 months from the date of the recommendation (24 October 2023) should be given to allow users of the product to seek a suitable alternative and to enable stoma associations to manage their stock levels.

Context for Recommendation

The Panel secretariat, in accordance with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*, usually processes deletions to products. This includes consideration of whether appropriate



alternative products remain available on the SAS Schedule. Suggested alternative products are noted by the secretariat but not referenced in the SAS Schedule.

[Applicant's Comment](#)

The applicant noted the recommendation.



ConvaTec Esteem+ Flex Convex Closed – CC#20OCTOBER2023

Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought the deletion of 2 variants from the current listing of ConvaTec Esteem+ Flex Convex Closed (SAS Code 80106D) in subgroup 1(c) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule, as it is being discontinued. The product, including 4 variants, is currently listed at a unit price of \$4.433, with a pack size of 30 and a maximum monthly quantity of 60 units.

Substitute products

Other variants of ConvaTec Esteem+ Flex Convex Closed (SAS Code 80106D)

Variants to be deleted

Company Code	Description
421614	protected single carbon filter, transparent with fabric cover on both sides including viewing window, medium, 450ml, low headspace, belt loops on each side of pouch, 1.2mm, hydrocolloid baseplate, hydrocolloid self-adhesive, standard wear, round , cut-to-fit, 20mm - 25mm, no release tabs
422158	protected dual carbon filter, transparent with fabric backing on both sides including viewing window, small, 450ml, low headspace, belt loops on each side of pouch, 1.2mm, hydrocolloid baseplate, deep convexity, rigid convex ring, hydrocolloid self-adhesive, standard wear, round , cut-to-fit, 20mm - 55mm, no release tabs

Background

This product was first listed on the SAS Schedule on 1 May 2018.

Clinical Place for the Product

Not applicable.

Financial Analysis

Substitute products are currently listed in subgroup 1(c) of the SAS Schedule at the same cost and maximum monthly quantity. It is unlikely there would be any budgetary impact for the SAS as a consequence of deleting 2 variants of the product.

Recommendation

As this was an administrative change, this application was considered by the Stoma Product Assessment Panel (the Panel) secretariat in line with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*. The Panel secretariat noted there are equivalent products remaining on the Schedule and recommended the deletion of 2 variants from the product range (4 variants) for ConvaTec Esteem+ Flex Convex Closed SAS Code 80106D) listed in subgroup 1(c) of the SAS Schedule. The Panel noted the secretariat’s recommendation at the October 2023 meeting.

ConvaTec is to advise stoma associations, ostomates, stomal therapy nurses and the Australian Council of Stoma Associations of the deletion. A period of approximately 6 months from the date of the recommendation (24 October 2023) should be given to allow



users of the product to seek a suitable alternative and to enable stoma associations to manage their stock levels.

Context for Recommendation

The Panel secretariat, in accordance with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*, usually processes deletions to products. This includes consideration of whether appropriate alternative products remain available on the SAS Schedule. Suggested alternative products are noted by the secretariat but not referenced in the SAS Schedule.

Applicant's Comment

The applicant noted the recommendation.



ConvaTec Esteem+ Flex Convex Urostomy– CC#21OCTOBER2023

Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought the deletion of 3 variants from the current listing of ConvaTec Esteem+ Flex Convex Urostomy (SAS Code 80118R) in subgroup 3(b) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule, as it is being discontinued. The product, including 6 variants, is currently listed at a unit price of \$6.373, with a pack size of 10 and a maximum monthly quantity of 30 units.

Substitute products

Other variants of ConvaTec Esteem+ Flex Convex Urostomy (SAS Code 80118R)

Variants to be deleted

Company Code	Description
421627	non-return valve multi chamber, transparent with fabric cover on both sides including viewing window, small, 440ml, low headspace, adapter for connection to drainage bag, plug closure, belt loops on each side of pouch, 1.2mm, hydrocolloid baseplate, deep convexity , rigid convex ring, hydrocolloid self-adhesive, standard wear, round , pre-cut , 15mm, no release tabs
421628	non-return valve multi chamber, transparent with fabric cover on both sides including viewing window, small, 440ml, low headspace, adapter for connection to drainage bag, plug closure, belt loops on each side of pouch, 1.2mm, hydrocolloid baseplate, deep convexity , rigid convex ring, hydrocolloid self-adhesive, standard wear, round , cut-to-fit, 10mm - 25mm, no release tabs
421629	non-return valve multi chamber, transparent with fabric cover on both sides including viewing window, small, 440ml, low headspace, adapter for connection to drainage bag, plug closure, belt loops on each side of pouch, 1.2mm, hydrocolloid baseplate, deep convexity , rigid convex ring, hydrocolloid self-adhesive, standard wear, round , pre-cut , 15mm, no release tabs

Background

This product was first listed on the SAS Schedule on 1 December 2016.

Clinical Place for the Product

Not applicable.

Financial Analysis

Substitute products are currently listed in subgroup 3(b) of the SAS Schedule at the same cost and maximum monthly quantity. It is unlikely there would be any budgetary impact for the SAS as a consequence of deleting 3 variants of the product.

Recommendation

As this was an administrative change, this application was considered by the Stoma Product Assessment Panel (the Panel) secretariat in line with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*. The Panel secretariat noted there are equivalent products remaining on the Schedule and recommended the deletion of 3 variants from the product range (6 variants) for ConvaTec Esteem+ Flex Convex Urostomy (SAS Code 80118R) listed in subgroup 3(b) of the SAS Schedule. The Panel noted the secretariat’s recommendation at the October 2023 meeting.



ConvaTec is to advise stoma associations, ostomates, stomal therapy nurses and the Australian Council of Stoma Associations of the deletion. A period of approximately 6 months from the date of the recommendation (24 October 2023) should be given to allow users of the product to seek a suitable alternative and to enable stoma associations to manage their stock levels.

[Context for Recommendation](#)

The Panel secretariat, in accordance with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*, usually processes deletions to products. This includes consideration of whether appropriate alternative products remain available on the SAS Schedule. Suggested alternative products are noted by the secretariat but not referenced in the SAS Schedule.

[Applicant's Comment](#)

The applicant noted the recommendation.



ConvaTec Esteem+ Drainable Clipped Pouch– CC#22OCTOBER2023

Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought the deletion of 2 variants from the current listing of ConvaTec Esteem+ Drainable Clipped Pouch (SAS Code 80187J) in subgroup 2(a) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule, as it is being discontinued. The product, including 5 variants, is currently listed at a unit price of \$4.674, with a pack size of 10 and a maximum monthly quantity of 30 units. The sponsor had previously sought the deletion of one of these variants, product code 421844, at the Stoma Product Assessment Panel's (the Panel) 2 May 2023 meeting and this variant was removed from the SAS Schedule on 1 October 2023.

Substitute products

Other variants of ConvaTec Esteem+ Drainable Clipped Pouch (SAS Code 80187J)

Variant to be deleted

Company Code	Description
421843	protected single carbon filter, opaque with fabric cover on both sides, small, 425ml, low headspace, clipped closure, no belt loops, 1.8mm, hydrocolloid baseplate, hydrocolloid self-adhesive, standard wear, oval, pre-cut, 25mm, no release tabs

Background

This product was first listed on the SAS Schedule on 1 January 2017.

Clinical Place for the Product

Not applicable.

Financial Analysis

Substitute products are currently listed in subgroup 2(a) of the SAS Schedule at the same cost and maximum monthly quantity. It is unlikely there would be any budgetary impact for the SAS as a consequence of deleting one variant of the product.

Recommendation

As this was an administrative change, this application was considered by the Panel secretariat in line with the SAS *Application and Assessment Guidelines*. The Panel secretariat noted there are equivalent products remaining on the Schedule and recommended the deletion of one variant from the product range (5 variants) for ConvaTec Esteem+ Drainable Clipped Pouch (SAS Code 80187J) listed in subgroup 2(a) of the SAS Schedule. The Panel noted the secretariat's recommendation at the October 2023 meeting.

ConvaTec is to advise stoma associations, ostomates, stomal therapy nurses and the Australian Council of Stoma Associations of the deletion. A period of approximately 6 months from the date of the recommendation (24 October 2023) should be given to allow users of the product to seek a suitable alternative and to enable stoma associations to manage their stock levels.



Context for Recommendation

The Panel secretariat, in accordance with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*, usually processes deletions to products. This includes consideration of whether appropriate alternative products remain available on the SAS Schedule. Suggested alternative products are noted by the secretariat but not referenced in the SAS Schedule.

Applicant's Comment

The applicant noted the recommendation.



ConvaTec Esteem+ Soft Convex Closed Pouch– CC#23OCTOBER2023

Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought the deletion of one variant from the current listing of ConvaTec Esteem+ Soft Convex Closed Pouch (SAS Code 80211P) in subgroup 1(c) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule, as it is being discontinued. The product, including 12 variants, is currently listed at a unit price of \$4.433, with a pack size of 30 and a maximum monthly quantity of 60 units.

Substitute products

ConvaTec Esteem+ Soft Convex Closed Pouch (SAS Code 80211P)

Variant to be deleted

Company Code	Description
422362	protected single carbon filter, fabric cover on both sides including viewing window, medium, 450ml, low headspace, belt loops on each side of baseplate, 4mm, hydrocolloid baseplate, convex, rigid convex ring, hydrocolloid self-adhesive, standard wear, round, cut-to-fit, 10mm - 28mm, release tabs

Background

This product was first listed on the SAS Schedule on 1 April 2020.

Clinical Place for the Product

Not applicable.

Financial Analysis

Substitute products are currently listed in subgroup 1(c) of the SAS Schedule at the same cost and maximum monthly quantity. It is unlikely there would be any budgetary impact for the SAS as a consequence of deleting one variant of the product.

Recommendation

As this was an administrative change, this application was considered by the Stoma Product Assessment Panel (the Panel) secretariat in line with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*. The Panel secretariat noted there are equivalent products remaining on the Schedule and recommended the deletion of one variant from the product range (5 variants) for ConvaTec Esteem+ Soft Convex Closed Pouch (SAS Code 80211P) listed in subgroup 1(c) of the SAS Schedule. The Panel noted the secretariat's recommendation at the October 2023 meeting.

ConvaTec is to advise stoma associations, ostomates, stomal therapy nurses and the Australian Council of Stoma Associations of the deletion. A period of approximately 6 months from the date of the recommendation (24 October 2023) should be given to allow users of the product to seek a suitable alternative and to enable stoma associations to manage their stock levels.



Context for Recommendation

The Panel secretariat, in accordance with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*, usually processes deletions to products. This includes consideration of whether appropriate alternative products remain available on the SAS Schedule. Suggested alternative products are noted by the secretariat but not referenced in the SAS Schedule.

Applicant's Comment

The applicant noted the recommendation.



ConvaTec Esteem+ Soft Convex Urostomy– CC#24OCTOBER2023

Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought the deletion of 2 variants from the current listing of ConvaTec Esteem+ Soft Convex Urostomy (SAS Code 80213R) in subgroup 3(b) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule, as it is being discontinued. The product, including 15 variants, is currently listed at a unit price of \$6.373, with a pack size of 10 and a maximum monthly quantity of 30 units.

Substitute products

Other variants of ConvaTec Esteem+ Soft Convex Urostomy (SAS Code 80213R)

Variants to be deleted

Company Code	Description
422563	non-return valve single chamber, fabric cover on both sides including viewing window, medium, 440ml, low headspace, plug closure, plug closure, belt loops on each side of pouch, 4mm, hydrocolloid baseplate, convex, rigid convex ring, hydrocolloid self-adhesive, standard wear, round, pre-cut, 15mm - 15mm, no release tabs
422556	non-return valve single chamber, fabric cover on both sides including viewing window, medium, 440ml, low headspace, plug closure, plug closure, belt loops on each side of pouch, 4mm, hydrocolloid baseplate, convex, rigid convex ring, hydrocolloid self-adhesive, standard wear, round, pre-cut, 45mm, no release tabs

Background

This product was first listed on the SAS Schedule on 1 April 2020.

Clinical Place for the Product

Not applicable.

Financial Analysis

Substitute products are currently listed in subgroup 3(b) of the SAS Schedule at the same cost and maximum monthly quantity. It is unlikely there would be any budgetary impact for the SAS as a consequence of deleting 2 variants of the product.

Recommendation

As this was an administrative change, this application was considered by the Stoma Product Assessment Panel (the Panel) secretariat in line with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*. The Panel secretariat noted there are equivalent products remaining on the Schedule and recommended the deletion of 2 variants from the product range (15 variants) for ConvaTec Esteem+ Soft Convex Urostomy (SAS Code 80213R) listed in subgroup 3(b) of the SAS Schedule. The Panel noted the secretariat's recommendation at the October 2023 meeting.

ConvaTec is to advise stoma associations, ostomates, stomal therapy nurses and the Australian Council of Stoma Associations of the deletion. A period of approximately 6 months from the date of the recommendation (24 October 2023) should be given to allow



users of the product to seek a suitable alternative and to enable stoma associations to manage their stock levels.

Context for Recommendation

The Panel secretariat, in accordance with the *SAS Application and Assessment Guidelines*, usually processes deletions to products. This includes consideration of whether appropriate alternative products remain available on the SAS Schedule. Suggested alternative products are noted by the secretariat but not referenced in the SAS Schedule.

Applicant's Comment

The applicant noted the recommendation.



ConvaTec GentleCath Glide– CC#25OCTOBER2023

Proposed Listing on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought listing of ConvaTec GentleCath Glide in subgroup 8(c) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule. The product (11 variants) was proposed for listing at a unit price of \$1.900 including a price premium of \$0.866, with a pack size of 30 and a maximum monthly quantity of 120 units.

Comparator

The applicant nominated Medioplast Australia Pty Ltd Wellspect Healthcare LoFric Intermittent Catheters- Nelaton (SAS Code 80184F) as the comparator. The comparator product (19 variants) is currently listed in subgroup 8(c) of the SAS Schedule at the unit price of \$1.034, with a pack size of 30 and a maximum monthly quantity of 120 units.

Background

This was the Stoma Product Assessment Panel's (the Panel) first consideration of this product.

Clinical Place for the Product

The proposed product would provide an alternative for users requiring an intermittent catheter.

Clinical Analysis

The Panel noted that these catheters are used for self-catheterisation and that catheter products for self-catheterisation have limited utility in ostomates.

The Panel noted the product has hydrophilic additives which the sponsor claims results in users experiencing less sticky residue associated with traditional catheters. The Panel noted the application provided only in vitro evidence and included no clinical feedback or quality of life outcomes from patients.

Economic Analysis

The Panel noted that if the listing of this new product was recommended in the future, it would be recommended for listing at the benchmark price, not with a price premium, as the evidence provided did not support a price premium. It would be listed at the same maximum monthly quantity as currently listed products in the same subgroup, resulting in the same monthly cost to the SAS Schedule.

Financial Analysis

Should listing of this product be recommended in the future, the likely budgetary impact for the SAS would be dependent on the agreed price per unit and maximum quantity in comparison to other products listed in the same group and subgroup.

Panel Recommendation

The Panel considered the appropriateness of catheter products on the SAS Schedule and noted the limited utility of catheter products in ostomates for the purposes of the SAS. The



Panel deferred the application for ConvaTec Gentlecath in subgroup 8(c) of the SAS Schedule with 11 variants, at the unit price of \$1.900 including a price premium of \$0.866, with a pack size of 30 and a maximum monthly quantity of 120 units, pending the conclusion of the SAS Schedule Review. This review will consider whether catheter products should continue to be listed on the SAS Schedule.

Context for Recommendation

The Panel provides advice on whether stoma products should be subsidised and, if so, the conditions of their subsidisation in Australia. Applications are considered in this context. Panel advice not to recommend listing or changes to a listing does not represent a final Panel view about the merits of a particular stoma product. A company can resubmit to the Panel following advice not to recommend listing or changes to a listing. The Panel is an advisory committee and as such its recommendations are non-binding on Government. All Panel recommendations are subject to Government approval.

Applicant's Comment

Convatec notes that the Panel have recommended Gentlecath Glide to be listed at the benchmarked price in lieu of the requested premium price. As the benchmarked price is well below the cost to manufacture and supply, **Convatec would therefore request to withdraw the application for SAS listing consideration.**



ConvaTec GentleCath Glide– CC#26OCTOBER2023

Proposed Listing on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought listing of ConvaTec GentleCath Glide in subgroup 8(c) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule. The product (5 variants) was proposed for listing at a unit price of \$2.300 including a price premium of \$1.266, with a pack size of 30 and a maximum monthly quantity of 120 units.

Comparator

The applicant nominated Medioplast Australia Pty Ltd Wellspect Healthcare LoFric Intermittent Catheters- Nelaton (SAS Code 80184F) as the comparator. The comparator product (19 variants) is currently listed in subgroup 8(c) of the SAS Schedule at the unit price of \$1.034, with a pack size of 30 and a maximum monthly quantity of 120 units.

Background

This was the Stoma Product Assessment Panel's (the Panel) first consideration of this product.

Clinical Place for the Product

The proposed product would provide an alternative for users requiring an intermittent catheter.

Clinical Analysis

The Panel noted that these catheters are used for self-catheterisation and that catheter products have limited use in ostomates.

The Panel noted the product has hydrophilic additives which the sponsor claims results in users experiencing less sticky residue associated with traditional catheters. The Panel noted the application provided only in vitro evidence and included no clinical feedback or quality of life outcomes from patients.

Economic Analysis

The Panel noted that if the listing of this new product was recommended in the future, it would be recommended for listing at the benchmark price, not with a price premium, as the evidence provided did not support a price premium. It would be listed at the same maximum monthly quantity as currently listed products in the same subgroup, resulting in the same monthly cost to the SAS Schedule.

Financial Analysis

Should listing of this product be recommended in the future, the likely budgetary impact for the SAS would be dependent on the agreed price per unit and maximum quantity in comparison to other products listed in the same group and subgroup.

Panel Recommendation

The Panel considered the appropriateness of catheter products on the SAS Schedule and noted the limited utility of catheter products in ostomates for the purposes of the SAS. The



Panel deferred the application for ConvaTec Gentlecath Glide in subgroup 8(c) of the SAS Schedule with 5 variants, at the unit price of \$2.300 including a price premium of \$1.266, with a pack size of 30 and a maximum monthly quantity of 120 units pending the conclusion of the SAS Schedule Review, which will consider whether catheter products should continue to be listed on the SAS Schedule.

Context for Recommendation

The Panel provides advice on whether stoma products should be subsidised and, if so, the conditions of their subsidisation in Australia. Applications are considered in this context. Panel advice not to recommend listing or changes to a listing does not represent a final Panel view about the merits of a particular stoma product. A company can resubmit to the Panel following advice not to recommend listing or changes to a listing. The Panel is an advisory committee and as such its recommendations are non-binding on Government. All Panel recommendations are subject to Government approval.

Applicant's Comment

Convatec notes that the Panel have recommended Gentlecath Glide to be listed at the benchmarked price in lieu of the requested premium price. As the benchmarked price is well below the cost to manufacture and supply, **Convatec would therefore request to withdraw the application for SAS listing consideration.**