

PUBLIC SUMMARY DOCUMENT

Product: ConvaTec Esteem+ Soft Convex Drainable Pouch Cut-to-Fit and Pre-Cut

Applicant: ConvaTec Australia Pty Ltd

Date of SPAP Meeting: 22 October 2019

1. Proposed Listing on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec Australia Pty Ltd, sought listing of the ConvaTec Esteem+ Soft Convex Drainable Pouch Cut-to-Fit (CTF) and Pre-Cut in subgroup 2(b) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule. The product, including 15 variants was proposed for listing at a unit price of \$6.373, with a maximum monthly quantity of 30 units.

2. Comparator

The applicant nominated ConvaTec Esteem+ Flex Convex Drainable (SAS Code 80113L) from its own product range as the comparator. The product is currently listed in subgroup 2(b) of the SAS Schedule at the unit price of \$6.373, with a maximum monthly quantity of 30 units.

3. Background

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

4. Clinical Place for the Product

The proposed product is an alternative for users requiring a one-piece drainable pouch with convex baseplate.

5. SPAP Comment

Clinical Analysis

The Panel noted the proposed product is a one-piece soft convex drainable pouch with a hydrocolloid baseplate and a fabric cover on both sides with a viewing window. The applicant states the proposed product is identical to those produced by 'For Life' under the Stomocur range. The Panel also noted that Stomocur is not listed on the SAS Schedule.

The Panel agreed that the proposed product is equivalent to products currently available at the benchmark price in subgroup 2(b), therefore listing on a cost minimisation basis was considered appropriate.

Economic Analysis

Not undertaken.

Financial Analysis

Listing of this product is recommended on a cost-minimisation basis compared to products currently listed in subgroup 2(b) of the SAS Schedule. It is therefore unlikely that there would be any budgetary impact for the SAS as a consequence of listing this product.

6. SPAP Recommendation

The SPAP recommended that the ConvaTec Esteem+ Soft Convex Drainable Pouch (CTF) and Pre-Cut be listed in subgroup 2(b) of the SAS Schedule, at the unit price of \$6.373, with a maximum monthly quantity of 30 units.

7. Context for Decision

The SPAP helps decide whether stoma products should be subsidised and, if so, the conditions of their subsidisation in Australia. It considers submissions in this context. An SPAP decision not to recommend listing or changes to a listing does not represent a final SPAP view about the merits of a particular stoma product. A company can resubmit to the SPAP following a decision not to recommend listing or changes to a listing. The SPAP is an advisory committee and as such its recommendations are non-binding on Government. All SPAP recommendations are subject to Cabinet/Ministerial approval.

8. Applicant's Comment

ConvaTec Australia Pty Ltd agrees with the SPAP's recommendation.