

PUBLIC SUMMARY DOCUMENT

Product: Coloplast Alterna Comfort
Applicant: Coloplast
Date of SPAP Meeting: 20 October 2020

1. Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, Coloplast, sought the deletion of one variant from the current listing of Coloplast Alterna Comfort (SAS Code 3732K) in subgroup 2(a) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule. The product, including 11 variants, is currently listed at a unit price of \$3.416, with a maximum monthly quantity of 30 units.

2. Substitute products

The nominated substitute product is a variant in the Coloplast Alterna Comfort (SAS Code 3732K) range. The product, including 11 variants, is currently listed in subgroup 2(a) of the SAS Schedule at a unit price of \$3.416 with a maximum monthly quantity of 30 units.

Variant to be deleted

Product Code	Description
46166	single carbon filter, opaque with fabric backing, extra small, 230ml, clip closure, 1.1mm, hydrocolloid baseplate, flat, self-adhesive, standard wear, round, cut-to-fit, 10mm, 55mm,

Nominated substitute – SAS Code 3732K

Product Code	Description
46136	single carbon filter, opaque with fabric backing, small, 390ml, clip closure, 1.1mm, hydrocolloid baseplate, flat, self-adhesive, standard wear, round, cut-to-fit, 10mm, 55mm,

3. Background

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

4. Clinical Place for the Product

The proposed substitute product provides an alternative for users requiring a one-piece drainable pouch with flat baseplate.

Financial Analysis

The deletion of one variant is recommended. Substitute products are currently listed in subgroup 2(a) 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.

5. Panel Recommendation

The Panel recommended the deletion of one variant from the product range for Coloplast Alterna Comfort (SAS Code 3732K) listed in subgroup 2(a) of the SAS Schedule at the unit price of \$3.416 with a maximum monthly quantity of 30 units.

The Panel also noted that Coloplast is to advise Stoma Associations, ostomates, Stomal Therapy Nurses and ACSA of the deletion. A period of approximately six months from the date of the Panel's recommendation (20 October 2020) should be given to allow users of the product to seek a suitable alternative and to enable Stoma Associations to manage their stock levels.

6. Context for Decision

The Panel helps decide whether stoma products should be subsidised and, if so, the conditions of their subsidisation in Australia. It considers submissions in this context. A Panel decision 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 a decision 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 Cabinet/Ministerial approval.

7. Applicant's Comment

Coloplast agrees with the Panel's recommendation.