

PUBLIC SUMMARY DOCUMENT

Product: Dansac NovaLife
Applicant: Dansac
Date of SPAP Meeting: 20 October 2020

1. Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, Dansac, sought the deletion of one variant from the current listing of Dansac NovaLife (SAS Code 9800T) in subgroup 5(a) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule, due to low volume sales and newer technology being available. The product, including eleven variants, is currently listed at a unit price of \$1.769, with a maximum monthly quantity of 90 units.

2. Substitute products

The nominated substitute product is a variant in the same range, Dansac NovaLife (SAS Code 9800T).

Variants to be deleted

| Product Code | Description |
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| 1302-36 | single carbon filter, transparent with fabric backing, small, 350ml, belt loops on pouch, mechanical coupling, 36mm ring, |

Nominated substitute – SAS Code 9800T

| Product Code | Description |
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| 1301-36 | single carbon filter, opaque with fabric cover on both sides, small, 350ml, belt loops on pouch, mechanical coupling, 36mm ring, |

3. Background

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

4. Clinical Place for the Product

The proposed substitute product provides an alternative for users requiring a two-piece closed pouch with a mechanical coupling.

Financial Analysis

The deletion of one variant is recommended. The substitute products are currently listed in subgroup 5(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 existing product range for Dansac NovaLife (SAS Code 9800T) in subgroup 5(a) of the SAS Schedule at the unit price of \$1.769 with a maximum monthly quantity of 90 units.

The Panel also noted that Dansac 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

Dansac agrees with SPAP's recommendation.