

PUBLIC SUMMARY DOCUMENT

Product: Hollister New Image
Applicant: Hollister
Date of SPAP Meeting: 20 October 2020

1. Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, Hollister, sought the deletion of the entire product range (three variants) of Hollister New Image (SAS Code 3860E) in subgroup 6(a) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule. The supplier has advised the product has low volume sales, and newer technology is available. The product, including three variants, is currently listed at a unit price of \$2.757, with a maximum monthly quantity of 60 units.

2. Substitute products

The nominated substitute products are variants in the Hollister New Image (SAS Code 9910N) range. The product, including six variants, is currently listed in subgroup 6(a) of the SAS Schedule at a unit price of \$3.709, with a maximum monthly quantity of 60 units.

3. Background

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

4. Clinical Place for the Product

The proposed substitute products provide an alternative for users requiring a two-piece drainable pouch with mechanical coupling.

Financial Analysis

The deletion of three variants is recommended. Substitute products are currently listed in subgroup 6(a) of the SAS Schedule at a unit cost of \$3.709 and with the same maximum monthly quantity. It is therefore, likely that there would be a minor budgetary impact for the SAS as a consequence of deleting this product.

5. Panel Recommendation

The Panel recommended the deletion of the entire product range (three variants) of Hollister New Image (SAS Code 3860E) in subgroup 6(a) of the SAS Schedule at the unit price of \$2.757, with a maximum monthly quantity of 60 units.

The Panel also noted that Hollister 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

Hollister accepts the outcome as noted above by SPAP.