

## PUBLIC SUMMARY DOCUMENT

**Product:** ConvaTec Natura+ Urostomy Pouch

**Applicant:** ConvaTec

**Date of SPAP Meeting:** 20 April 2021

### 1. Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec, sought the deletion of two variants from the current listing of ConvaTec Natura+ Urostomy Pouch (SAS Code 80024T) in subgroup 7(a) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule, as the products are no longer manufactured. The products, including eight variants, is currently listed at a unit price of \$3.504, with a maximum monthly quantity of 60 units.

### 2. Substitute products

The applicant nominated substitute products from the same product range of SAS Code 80024T.

#### Variant to be deleted

Product Code	Description
413435	non-return valve multi chamber, transparent with fabric backing, small, 390ml, low headspace, adapter for connection to drainage bag, tap closure with plug, belt loops on each side of pouch, mechanical coupling, 32mm ring,
413436	non-return valve multi chamber, transparent with fabric backing, small, 390ml, low headspace, adapter for connection to drainage bag, tap closure with plug, belt loops on each side of pouch, mechanical coupling, 38mm ring,

### 3. Background

This product was first listed on the SAS Schedule in 1 May 2015.

### 4. Clinical Place for the Product

Not Applicable.

#### *Financial Analysis*

The deletion of two variants is recommended. It is, unlikely that there would be any budgetary impact for the SAS as a consequence of deleting these product.

### 5. Panel Recommendation

The Panel recommended the deletion of two variants from the product range for ConvaTec Esteem Natura+ Urostomy Pouch (SAS Code 80024T), in subgroup 7(a) of the SAS Schedule at the unit price of \$3.504, with a maximum monthly quantity of 60 units.

The Panel also noted that ConvaTec 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 April 2021) 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**

ConvaTec agrees to the SPAP's recommendation.