

Product: ConvaTec Natura+ Urostomy Pouch**Applicant:** ConvaTec Australia Pty Ltd**Date of SPAP Meeting:** 12 October 2021**1. Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme**

The applicant, ConvaTec Australia Pty Ltd, sought the deletion of three variants from the current listing of ConvaTec Natura+ Urostomy Pouch (SAS Code 80024T) in subgroup 7(a) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (the Scheme) Schedule, due to the three variants being made obsolete by the manufacturer. The product, including eight variants is currently listed at a unit price of \$3.504, with a maximum monthly quantity of 60 units.

2. Substitute products

Not Applicable.

Variants to be deleted

Product Code	Description
413435	ConvaTec Natura+ Urostomy Pouch – small, 390ml, low headspace, adapter for connection to drainage bag, tap closure with plug, 32mm ring.
413436	ConvaTec Natura+ Urostomy – small, 390ml, low headspace, adapter for connection to drainage bag, tap closure with plug, 38mm ring.
421075	ConvaTec Natura+ Urostomy Pouch – extra small, 210ml, low headspace, adapter for connection to drainage bag, tap closure with plug, 38mm ring.

3. Background

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

4. Clinical Place for the Product

Not applicable.

Financial Analysis

There are alternative substitute products currently listed in subgroup 7(a) of the Scheme Schedule at the same cost and maximum monthly quantity. It is therefore, unlikely that there would be any budgetary impact for the Scheme as a consequence of deleting the three variants.

5. Panel Recommendation

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

The Panel also noted that ConvaTec Australia Pty Ltd 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 (12 October 2021) should be given to allow users of the three variants 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 agree with the SPAP's recommendation.