Product: ConvaTec Sur-Fit Autolock

Applicant: ConvaTec Australia Pty Ltd

Date of SPAP Meeting: 26 April 2022

1. Proposed Deletion on the Stoma Appliance Scheme

The applicant, ConvaTec Australia PTY LTD, sought the deletion of the entire product range of ConvaTec Sur-Fit Autolock (SAS Code 3780Y) in subgroup 5(a) of the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS) Schedule. The product, including two variants, is currently listed at a unit price of \$1.564 with a maximum monthly quantity of 90 units.

2. Substitute products

ConvaTec Natura+ (SAS 5683D) in subgroup 5(a).

Product Code	Description
401678	single carbon filter, opaque with fabric cover on both sides, medium, belt loops on pouch, mechanical coupling with lock, 45mm ring
401679	single carbon filter, opaque with fabric cover on both sides, medium, belt loops on pouch, mechanical coupling with lock, 57mm ring

3. Variants to be deleted

4. Background

This product was first listed on the SAS Schedule on 1 April 2011.

5. Clinical Place for the Product

Not applicable.

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.

6. Panel Recommendation

The Panel, noting equivalent products remained on the Schedule, recommended the deletion of two variants from the product range for ConvaTec Sur-Fit Autolock (SAS Code 3780Y) listed in subgroup 5(a) of the SAS Schedule at the unit price of \$1.564 with a maximum monthly quantity of 90 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 Panel recommended date (26 April 2022) should be given to allow users of the product to seek a suitable alternative and to enable Stoma Associations to manage their stock levels.

7. Context for Recommendation

The Panel provides advice on whether stoma products should be subsidised and, if so, the conditions of their subsidisation in Australia. Applications are considered in this context.

Panel advice 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 advice 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.

8. Applicant's Comment

The applicant noted the SPAP recommendation.