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Product: Review of Protective Wipes in Subgroup 9(k)

Date of SPAP Meeting: 11 April 2016

1. Background

In March 2015 the Stoma Product Assessment Panel (SPAP) received an application from Hollister for a direct replacement of the Hollister Skin Gel Protective Wipes with Hollister Adapt No-Sting Protective Wipes (SAS code 3553B), a non-sting alternative. No price premium was requested for the non-sting feature of the replacement wipes. As part of its consideration of this application, the SPAP therefore recommended that the unit price of \$0.29 be taken as the new benchmark price for protective wipes in this subgroup and that the prices of other listed non-sting wipes be reduced.

The seven suppliers who had protective wipes listed were contacted in April 2015 and advised of the SPAP recommendations that the unit price of products would be reduced. They were advised that Government approval would be sought to reduce the price of their products unless they provided justification for a price premium by 31 January 2016.

2. Applications

Applications were received from suppliers as shown in the table below.

Supplier	Product	SAS Code	Unit Price	Monthly Max.
Coloplast	Brava No-Sting Barrier Wipes	3908Q	\$1.065	30
Omnigon	Welland Barrier Film Wipes	9970R	\$1.065	30
Omnigon	Eakin Protective Wipes	80089F	\$0.029	30
3M Australia	Cavilon No Sting Barrier Film 3344E	9775L	\$1.065	30
ConvaTec	Sillesse Barrier Wipes	80007X	\$1.065	30

3. SPAP Comment

The SPAP agreed that the Hollister Adapt No-Sting Protective Wipe is an adequate product to apply a protective layer to the peristomal skin and that it is a suitable comparator for the other products being reviewed.

The Panel considered the evidence provided to support the claims of superiority made by the applicants. It acknowledged that different products comprised different compositions, for example, that some were silicon based and some water based. The Panel decided that these differences would not be taken into consideration because the evidence provided failed to support that one formulation was clinically superior than another. The Panel agreed that the non-sting nature of the products was of primary importance.

The SPAP agreed that no clinical evidence had been provided to prevent the Hollister Adapt No-Sting Protective Wipes from becoming the benchmark product for wipes in subgroup 9(k). The SPAP recommended that the unit price per wipe of \$0.29 be taken as the new benchmark price for wipes in this subgroup.

The Panel agreed that the clinical evidence presented did not support superiority to justify an increased price by any applicant.

The SPAP noted that the monthly maximum quantities varied between the wipes listed in subgroup 9(k) and agreed that a consistent quantity should be applied. It was determined that a quantity of 60 was appropriate.

It was also noted that one supplier accepted the price reduction and two suppliers did not provide evidence. The Panel further noted that the remaining suppliers who wished to retain their current price did not provide sufficient clinical evidence to justify an increased price.

4. SPAP Recommendation

The SPAP recommended that all protective wipes in subgroup 9(k) have the unit price reduced to \$0.29 and the maximum monthly quantity amended to 60 per month.

This recommendation will result in changes to the following listed products:

Supplier	Product	SAS Code	Amendment
3M	Cavilon no-sting barrier film wipes	9775L	Unit price and maximum monthly quantity
Ainscorp	Salts Peri-Prep Sensitive	9859X	Unit price and maximum monthly quantity
Coloplast	Brava no-sting barrier wipes	3908Q	Unit price and maximum monthly quantity
ConvaTec	Sillesse barrier wipes	80007X	Unit price and maximum monthly quantity
ConvaTec	ConvaCare protective barrier wipes	3502H	Maximum monthly quantity
Omnigon	WBF no-sting barrier film	9970R	Unit price and maximum monthly quantity
Omnigon	Eakin Protective Wipes	80089F	Maximum monthly quantity
Smith & Nephew	SECURA no-sting barrier film	9798Q	Unit price and maximum monthly quantity
Smith & Nephew	Skin Prep protective skin barrier wipes	3506M	Maximum monthly quantity
Hollister	Adapt protective skin wipes no sting	3553B	Monthly maximum quantity

The SPAP confirmed that the price of \$0.29 and monthly maximum quantity of 60 units would be the benchmark for any future listings in subgroup 9(k).

5. Context for Decision

The SPAP helps decide whether stoma products should be subsidised and, if so, the conditions of their subsidisation in Australia. It considers submissions in this context. An SPAP decision not to recommend listing or changes to a listing does not represent a final SPAP view about the merits of a particular stoma product. A company can resubmit to the SPAP following a decision not to recommend listing or changes to a listing. The SPAP is an advisory committee and as such its recommendations are non-binding on Government. All SPAP recommendations are subject to Cabinet/Ministerial approval.