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## Animas Vibe to replace Animas 2020 insulin pump

The Animas Vibe insulin pump will be listed on the Pharmaceutical Schedule from 1 November 2012 instead of the Animas 2020 insulin pump. In summary, the effect of the decision is that:

- Animas Vibe insulin pump will be funded from 1 November 2012 for people approved for funding via the Insulin Pump Panel.
- Animas 2020 insulin pump will be delisted from 1 November 2012.
- All insulin pump approvals issued prior to 1 November 2012 for an Animas 2020 will apply to the Animas Vibe.
- All currently listed Animas insulin pump consumables are compatible with the Animas Vibe pump. The supplier has amended the brand names of some of the consumables to remove references to the 2020 system so the Schedule will be updated accordingly.

### Details of the decision

- Animas Vibe insulin pump will be listed in the Diabetes Management subgroup of Section B the Pharmaceutical Schedule from 1 November 2012 as follows: (note prices are ex-manufacturer, excluding GST):

Chemical	Description	Brand	Pack size	Price and subsidy (\$NZD)
Insulin pump	Flat panel, high contrast screen; compatible with standard luer lock infusion sets; waterproof at 12 feet for 24 hours; 0.025 u/hour basal rate; continuous glucose monitoring (CGM) enabled; black colour	Animas Vibe	1	\$4,500
Insulin pump	Flat panel, high contrast screen; compatible with standard luer lock infusion sets; waterproof at 12 feet for 24 hours; 0.025 u/hour basal rate; continuous glucose monitoring (CGM) enabled; silver colour	Animas Vibe	1	\$4,500
Insulin pump	Flat panel, high contrast screen; compatible with standard luer lock infusion sets; waterproof at 12 feet for 24 hours; 0.025 u/hour basal rate; continuous glucose monitoring (CGM) enabled; blue colour	Animas Vibe	1	\$4,500
Insulin pump	Flat panel, high contrast screen; compatible with standard luer lock infusion sets; waterproof at 12 feet for 24 hours; 0.025 u/hour basal rate; continuous glucose monitoring (CGM) enabled; pink colour	Animas Vibe	1	\$4,500
Insulin pump	Flat panel, high contrast screen; compatible with standard luer lock infusion sets; waterproof at 12 feet for 24 hours; 0.025 u/hour basal rate; continuous glucose monitoring (CGM) enabled; green colour	Animas Vibe	1	\$4,500

- Animas 2020 insulin pump (five colours) will be delisted from the Diabetes Management subgroup of Section B the Pharmaceutical Schedule from 1 November 2012.

- The brand name of the following insulin pump consumables listed in the Diabetes Management subgroup of Section B of the Pharmaceutical Schedule will be amended from 1 November 2012 as follows:

<b>Pharmaceutical</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Pack size</b>	<b>Current Brand</b>	<b>Proposed Brand</b>
Insulin pump reservoir	Cartridge 200 U luer lock x 10	1 OP	IR2020	Animas cartridge
Insulin pump accessories	Battery cap	1 OP	Animas 2020 Battery Cap	Animas Battery Cap

### **More information**

New Zealand Medical & Scientific proposed to supply the Animas Vibe pump as an alternative brand, which it is able to do under the terms of the agreement dated 15 February 2012 subject to PHARMAC's assessment of the alternative pump.

We have conducted an assessment of the pump, including seeking advice from the Diabetes Subcommittee of PTAC and from a specialist Diabetologist, and we consider that the Vibe pump is comparable to the Animas 2020, with the primary difference being that the Vibe pump is enabled for continuous glucose monitoring (CGM) in addition to offering further safety and convenience features. As the devices are otherwise almost identical we consider that there will be minimal impact for patients and clinicians who are familiar with the operation of the Animas 2020 pump.

At this time, we are not proposing to fund the additional CGM related consumables, however it is likely that we will assess this technology in the future. The Animas Vibe pump functions normally without enabling CGM.

The Special Authority approvals that have been issued for patients prior to the change will be valid for insulin pumps as listed on the Pharmaceutical Schedule. Prescriptions for Animas 2020 insulin pumps can be substituted with an Animas Vibe pump from 1 November, subject to pharmacists annotating the change on the prescription.

The supplier has changed the brand names of some of the Animas consumables in the Pharmaceutical Schedule, removing the reference to 2020 given that these consumables are all compatible with the Animas Vibe pump.

If you have any questions about this decision, you can call our toll free number (9 am to 5 pm, Monday to Friday) on 0800 66 00 50.