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Dear Jacqui

**Re: Proposal to list a range of Medical Devices supplied by Device Technologies and Medipak**

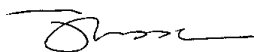
Thank you for seeking feedback on the above consultation. The Australian and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists (ANZCA), which includes the Faculty of Pain Medicine, is responsible for the training and examination of anaesthetists and pain medicine specialists and for the standards of clinical practice in New Zealand and Australia. ANZCA's mission is to serve the community by fostering safety and high quality patient care in anaesthesia, perioperative medicine and pain medicine.

The New Zealand National Committee (NZNC) of ANZCA has reviewed the proposal to list a range of Medical Devices supplied by Device Technologies and Medipak from October 1, 2018.

The NZNC acknowledges that it does not have a good understanding of the merits of many of the products listed. For example, the list from Device Technologies includes a large number of different versions of Hudson-like mask that members of the NZNC have not necessarily used and therefore cannot comment on. Similarly, members use both C-MAC and Gildescope video laryngoscopes. Although the products listed on the Karl Storz list may perform well, we are not in a position to form a judgement or to know whether there are better products that would be preferable to include.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this submission, please contact Mary Harvey (Senior Policy Adviser) in the first instance on 04 585 9780 or at [mharvey@anzca.org.nz](mailto:mharvey@anzca.org.nz).

Yours sincerely



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