



Feedback Survey

Application 1366 - Transient elastography (TE) at 50Hz for the diagnosis of liver fibrosis in patients with confirmed hepatitis B or C.

Thank you for taking the time to complete this feedback form on a draft protocol to consider the options by which a new intervention might be subsidised through the use of public funds. You are welcome to provide feedback from either a personal or group perspective for consideration by the Protocol Advisory Sub-Committee (PASC) of MSAC when the draft protocol is being reviewed.

The data collected will be used to inform the MSAC assessment process to ensure that when proposed healthcare interventions are assessed for public funding in Australia, they are patient focused and seek to achieve best value.

This feedback form should take 10-12 minutes to complete.

You may also wish to supplement your responses with further documentation or diagrams or other information to assist PASC in considering your feedback.

Responses will be provided to the MSAC, its subcommittees and the applicant with responses identified unless you specifically request deidentification.

While stakeholder feedback is used to inform the application process, you should be aware that your feedback may be used more broadly by the applicant.

Please reply to the HTA Team

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*Your feedback is requested by **21 March 2015** to enable the collation of responses to be provided to PASC to consider during its deliberations.*

PERSONAL AND ORGANISATIONAL INFORMATION

1. What is your name? _____
2. Is the feedback being provided on an individual basis or by a collective group?
☐ Individual
☐ Collective group. Specify name of group (if applicable) _____
- What is the name of the organisation you work for (if applicable)? _____
4. What is your e-mail address? _____
5. Are you a:
 - a. General practitioner
 - b. Specialist
 - c. Researcher
 - d. Consumer
 - e. Care giver



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f. Other (please specify) _____

MEDICAL CONDITION (DISEASE):

Patients with confirmed hepatitis B or hepatitis C can go on to develop liver fibrosis and if unchecked then to develop liver cirrhosis.

Of the people that contract hepatitis the majority are asymptomatic (estimated to be about 80%). The remaining approximate 20% however will develop some level of liver fibrosis; of them approximately 25% will have rapid progression towards liver cirrhosis. The remaining 75% will have slow progression towards liver cirrhosis.

PROPOSED INTERVENTION:

Transient elastography at 50Hz is used to measure the liver stiffness and by inference fibrosis of the liver in patients with confirmed hepatitis B and hepatitis C. Transient elastography at 50Hz uses non-invasive ultrasound to make measurements of patient's livers which can be interpreted by a medical specialist and used to guide the patient's treatment depending on the disease progression or regression.

CLINICAL NEED AND PUBLIC HEALTH SIGNIFICANCE

- 1) Describe your experience with the medical condition (disease) and/or proposed intervention relating to the draft protocol?

- 2) What do you see as the benefits of this proposed intervention for the person involved and/or their family and carers?

- 3) What do you see as the disadvantages of this proposed intervention for the person involved and/or their family and carers?

- 4) How do you think a person's life and that of their family and/or carers can be improved by this proposed intervention?

- 5) What other benefits can you see from having this proposed intervention publicly funded on the Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS)?



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INDICATION(S) FOR THE PROPOSED INTERVENTION AND CLINICAL CLAIM

Flowchart of current management and potential management with the proposed intervention for this medical condition can be found on page 9.

6) Do you agree or disagree with the eligible population for the proposed intervention as specified in the proposed management flowcharts?

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree

Why or why not?

7) Do you agree or disagree with the comparator for the proposed intervention as specified in the current management flowchart?

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree

Why or why not?

8) Do you agree or disagree with the clinical claim (outcomes) made for the proposed intervention?

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree

Why or why not?

9) Have all associated interventions been adequately captured in the flowchart ?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

If not, please move any misplaced interventions, remove any superfluous intervention, or suggest any missing interventions to indicate how they should be captured on the flowcharts. Please explain the rationale behind each of your modifications.



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ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS FOR PASC SPECIFIC TO THIS PROPOSAL.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

10) Do you have any additional comments on the proposed intervention and/or medical condition (disease) relating to the proposed intervention?

11) Do you have any comments on this feedback form and process? Please provide comments or suggestions on how this process could be improved.

Thank you again for taking the time to provide your valuable feedback.

If you experience any problems completing this on-line survey please contact the HTA Team

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