

Protecting and improving the nation's health

1505-02: Bowen Medical – Cuff-Guard

Evaluated by the Rapid Review Panel 07 May 2015

**Evaluation Level 6:** Evidence presented does not demonstrate that the product has a contribution to make to improvements in infection prevention and control interventions to reduce healthcare-associated infections.

- Cuff-Guard claims to be a reusable protective cover for sphygmomanometer cuffs intended to be used for a single patient during their hospital stay before being discarded
- Further microbiological scientific evidence and information regarding cleaning and decontamination of the product is required to substantiate product claims of preventing the transmission of pathogens responsible for healthcare-associated infections

**Evaluation Disclaimer:** The RRP does not formally review cost-effectiveness or implementation barriers during its evaluation of products; these factors may be considered in a separate process. It is the responsibility of the applicant to carry out any further required development, including trials, cost-effectiveness assessments or product implementation within the NHS. All statements comparing the efficiency or efficacy of products are in the context of products available for use to the NHS at the date of evaluation.