

# **Cystic Fibrosis Program (CFP)**

## *Frequently Asked Questions*

### **Q1. What does the CFP do?**

- The CFP provides a basic range of approved aids and equipment to eligible Queensland residents who have cystic fibrosis and are treated in a Queensland hospital.

### **Q2. Does the CFP provide assistance with the supply of nebulisers?**

- Yes, the range of the CFP aids and equipment is selected to assist people to live at home and avoid premature or inappropriate hospitalisation.

### **Q3. What type of cystic fibrosis equipment does the CFP provide?**

- The CFP provides subsidy assistance in the form of nebulisers, positive expiratory pressure (PEP) and flutter devices.
- The CFP does not fund nebuliser filter pads or pumps.

### **Q4. Am I eligible for the CFP assistance?**

- You may be eligible for assistance if you are a permanent resident of Queensland, have cystic fibrosis and hold a pensioner concession card, health care card or Queensland Government Seniors Card in your own right.
- You will also need to meet the CFP clinical eligibility criteria for cystic fibrosis in accordance with the CFP administrative guidelines.

### **Q5. Who can clinically assess me for assistance from the CFP?**

- To apply for the CFP subsidised aids and equipment you must be clinically assessed by a physiotherapist or registered nurse associated with a cystic fibrosis centre or clinic who can apply to the CFP on your behalf.

### **Q7. Do I need to reapply to the CFP for ongoing subsidy assistance?**

- Yes, you will need to reapply. Your physiotherapist or registered nurse associated with a cystic fibrosis centre or clinic will be able to assist you with this.

### **Q8. Do I need to see my physiotherapist or registered nurse associated with a cystic fibrosis centre or clinic to reapply to CFP?**

- Yes, you will need to see your physiotherapist or registered nurse associated with a cystic fibrosis centre or clinic for all your applications.

### **Q9. What forms do I need to apply for the CFP subsidised aids and equipment?**

- The CFP 10 application form is used for the first application and for reapplications. Your physiotherapist or registered nurse associated with a cystic fibrosis centre or clinic will be able to assist you with this.

**Q10. Who can fill out my application form?**

- You can complete Part B and D of the CFP application form.
- Your physiotherapist or registered nurse associated with a cystic fibrosis centre or clinic needs to complete Part C and E of the CFP application form.

**Q11. How do I know when my next renewal application is due?**

- The due date for your next reapplication will be on your last approval letter for the CFP subsidised aids and equipment. However, you do need to speak to your physiotherapist or registered nurse associated with a cystic fibrosis centre or clinic for more information.

**Q17. How often should I replace my mask?**

- For any of the aids and equipment you have been provided with, you need to speak to your physiotherapist or registered nurse associated with a cystic fibrosis centre or clinic.

**Q21. How often should my CFP equipment be cleaned/sterilised?**

- For any of the aids and equipment you have been provided with, you need to speak to your physiotherapist or registered nurse associated with a cystic fibrosis centre or clinic.
- Cleaning/sterilising of equipment should be in accordance with manufacturer's care instructions.