

MICROCOSM

The PBAC will meet from March 10-12th to discuss recommendations for a range of medicines including Trikafta, the most powerful CF modulator on the market. This drug is effective for 90% of users and will revolutionise CF treatment in Australia.

Life years, mobility, symptom management, career opportunities, even reproductive health – everything is on the line for Australians with CF this March.

There is no better way to express the need for this drug than to do so in the words of those most affected:

Jake C. says “Trikafta will allow me to be a more active father and bring some respite for my wife.”

Chris M. has been in the lung transplant program for 7 years, but has a new lease on life thanks to Compassionate Access to Trikafta. “I started Trikafta on compassionate access. 4 HOURS later I knew it was working and cried. I called the transplant team the following morning and requested to be put on hold.”

Jaimee S. needs Trikafta for her infant daughter. “My 2yr old daughter has CF, and the greatest hope I have for her comes from taking Trikafta.”

Leon D. refers to Trikafta as a ‘miracle’ and says that nothing else has worked for his daughter: “2019 was a difficult year for our daughter... Since being granted [Compassionate Access] to Trikafta... her beautiful spirit has returned - it has turned her life around.”

Fiona and Kent W. are at a loss for words - “What do we tell our daughter when she asks us if she is going to die, knowing there is a drug available to her that could potentially save her life?”

Trikafta funding will be expensive, there is no getting around that, but like it or not, this drug already has a human face, the hopeful pleading of adults, children and parents whose health and happiness now hinges on a dollar sign. Help us make Trikafta non-negotiable this March.

For more information or to make contact with some parents and spokespeople who are living with CF, please contact our CEO Nettie Burke via nettieb@cfa.org.au

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