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NOW AND THEN

Cystic Fibrosis Australia (CFA) is a small organisation and every now and then you have to step up to some unusual tasks. In my sixteen years as Finance Manager I have been called upon for a wide range of non-Finance tasks ranging from organising volunteers to liaising with sponsors. This time around, the stakes are a little higher, as I have been asked to step in as interim CEO until the beginning of next year. I am excited and ready for the challenge.

I should say a little about myself, since you will be hearing a lot more from me for the next two months. I have seen CFA move through a host of changes in my time here. As Finance Manager I had a hand in the Clinical Improvement side of CFA, including the Data Registry, Standards of Care and the Peer Review project. I also worked closely with the Research Trust and its associated partners, helping to get our funding to where it is needed most.

I can certainly claim to understand this business from a structural and financial perspective, but my long years with CFA have also given me an insight into the deeply human problems of CF. I have been on the picket lines for Orkambi and donned the red shirt and cap to help raise money down in Martin Place. Like so many of you I am a CF believer, and there is nothing I want more than to keep this organisation in top condition as we face the coming year.

The next couple of months will be eventful, and you will be hearing all about our long and short term plans to raise funds for CFA. I feel honoured to be stepping in as interim CEO and I am happy to field any questions or enquiries from our wonderful CF community at robypn@cfa.org.au

Best Regards,
Robyn Peck, Interim CEO Cystic Fibrosis Australia