

NON-MEDICAL SWITCHING

The Switch That Interrupts Care For Cystic Fibrosis Patients



STEP 1

Patient stabilizes on an effective medication.

STEP 2

Insurer switches patient off effective medication to cut health plan costs.



Patient has more side effects or stop taking their medication altogether.

Patient is forced to either



Pay higher out-of-pocket costs to keep medication

OR



Use the less effective treatment



Insurers may actually spend more money on:

- Tests
- ER visits
- Hospitalizations
- Doctor's appointments