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Briefing Note for Noting

The Honourable Lawrence Springborg MP
Minister for Health



27 MAR 2014

Requested by: Chief Executives,
Children's Health Queensland and West
Moreton Hospital and Health Services

Action required by:

SUBJECT: Realignment of the Barrett Adolescent Services and status of new community based adolescent mental health services

Recommendation

That the Minister:

Note that all inpatients and day patients of Barrett Adolescent Centre (BAC), West Moreton Hospital and Health Service (HHS) have been discharged to appropriate care options.

Note the realignment of the Barrett Adolescent Centre on 31 January 2014.

Note the status of the new adolescent mental health extended treatment and rehabilitation services being established:

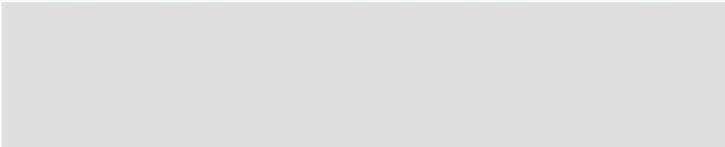
1. A 5-bed Residential Rehabilitation Unit at Greenslopes.
2. From early February, the Mater Hospital will provide interim subacute inpatient beds until new funding is sourced for a longer term bed-based option in the Lady Cilento Children's Hospital.
3. Recruitment processes for a Statewide Panel, six Assertive Mobile Outreach Service (AMYOS) Teams, and two Psychiatrists are under way, with the first appointments being made from March. The AMYOS Teams will be located in north Brisbane, south Brisbane, Townsville, Darling Downs, Gold Coast, and Redcliffe/Caboolture.
4. A new Day Program Unit will be established in north Brisbane by June 2014. This will be in addition to existing Day Program Units located at the Mater Hospital, Toowoomba, and Townsville.
5. Further investigation being conducted into an opportunity to construct a new Step Up/Step Down Unit in Cairns utilising funding identified by the Mental Health, Alcohol and Other Drugs Branch.

Note the first phase of service implementation will utilise existing recurrent funding from the BAC and the ceased Redlands Project. Implementation of the full proposed model of care is dependent upon new operational and capital funding. A business case seeking recurrent funding for service implementation over a four year timeframe will be submitted.

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Director-General

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Proposal

That the Director-General:

Note the realignment of the Barrett Adolescent Centre (BAC).

Note the status of the new adolescent mental health extended treatment and rehabilitation services.

Provide this brief to the Minister for information.

Urgency

1. **Urgent** – to provide the Minister with an update on the realignment of the BAC and the current status of the adolescent mental health extended treatment initiative.

Headline Issues

2. The top issues are:

- ✓ • All remaining BAC consumers have been discharged, and where relevant to individual need, have transitioned to alternate care options.
- ✓ • As of 31 January 2014, the BAC does not accommodate inpatients.
- ✓ • Children's Health Queensland Hospital and Health Service (CHQ HHS) has commenced implementation of new adolescent mental health services to ensure no gap in service.

Blueprint

3. How does this align with the Blueprint for Better Healthcare in Queensland?
 - Providing Queenslanders with value in health services – value for taxpayers' money.
 - Better patient care in the community setting, utilising safe, sustainable and responsive service models – delivering best patient care.

Key issues

4. All BAC consumers have been discharged. Patients requiring ongoing care have been supported to transition to alternative care options that are appropriate for their individual needs.
5. Patients requiring ongoing care are being supported by services provided through (or as close to) their local Hospital and Health Service (HHS), and involve a range of service providers such as public, private and non-government organisations. These care packages have been supported and co-ordinated by the acting Clinical Director of BAC. CHQHHS will continue to provide ongoing support as required to ensure there is no gap to service provision.
6. Consistent with project objectives, CHQHHS will establish an enhanced, contemporary accessible service for the young people of Queensland.
7. In addition, the following services are currently being established:
 - a. A 5-bed Residential Rehabilitation Unit at Greenslopes.
 - b. From early February 2014, the Mater Hospital will provide two interim subacute inpatient beds until new funding is sourced for a longer term bed-based option in the Lady Cilento Children's Hospital.
 - c. Recruitment processes for a Statewide Panel, six Assertive Mobile Outreach Services (AMYS) Teams, and two Psychiatrists are under way, with the first appointments being made

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from March. The AMYOS Teams will be located in north Brisbane, south Brisbane, Townsville, Darling Downs, Gold Coast, and Redcliffe/Caboolture.

- d. A new Day Program Unit will be established in north Brisbane by June 2014. This will be in addition to existing Day Program Units located at the Mater Hospital, Toowoomba, and Townsville.
 - e. Further investigation being conducted into an opportunity to construct a new Step Up/Step Down Unit in Cairns utilising funding identified by the Mental Health, Alcohol and Other Drugs Branch.
8. The above services are also supported by existing community Child and Youth Mental Health Services, and seven acute inpatient units located throughout Queensland (RCH, RBWH, Mater, Logan, Robina, Toowoomba, and Townsville).
 9. The first phase of service implementation will utilise existing recurrent funding from the BAC and the ceased Redlands Project. Implementation of the full proposed model of care is dependent upon new operational and capital funding. A business case, seeking recurrent funding for service implementation over a four year timeframe, will be submitted to the Department of Health Service Agreement Unit through the next Relationship Management Group Meeting on 14 February 2014.
 10. Once operational, the Chair of CHQHHS proposes to make a media announcement regarding the services available to the community across Queensland, and seeks the minister's interest in participating in this announcement.
 11. On 4 March 2014, Departmental officers met with members of the project team responsible for implementing the Statewide Adolescent Extended Treatment and Rehabilitation (SW AETR) Strategy to discuss funding for the proposed care model. The outcomes of this meeting were:
 - DoH to facilitate a funding transfer in amendment window 3 to Children's Health Queensland Hospital and Health Service for operational expenses relating to the first phase of service implementation. This has been actioned through the service agreement negotiation process.
 - DoH to note that Cairns HHS would not require operational funding in 2014/2015 for the Step Up/Step Down Unit, as it is yet to be constructed.
 - Policy and Planning Branch (PPB) to provide the project team with a list of business case queries for response.
 - Project team to provide feedback to PPB on the questions raised, and re-work the business case funding for 2014/2015 and outer years.
 - DoH and project team to meet in 12 months' time to discuss funding potentially available for new services, as detailed in the proposed subsequent phases of service implementation.

Background

12. In August 2013, the Minister for Health announced that adolescents requiring extended mental health treatment and rehabilitation will receive services through a new range of contemporary service options from early 2014. CHQHHS is responsible for the governance of the new service options to be implemented as part of its statewide role in providing healthcare for Queensland's children.
13. The Minister for Health and West Moreton HHS Board gave a public commitment to ongoing provision of safe and comprehensive clinical care for BAC consumers during the transition to the new statewide adolescent extended treatment and rehabilitation services.

Consultation

14. This brief has been prepared in collaboration between representatives from Children's Health Queensland and West Moreton Hospital and Health Services.
15. Michael Cleary, Deputy Director General Health Service and Clinical Innovation Division, and Bill Kingswell, Executive Director, Mental Health Alcohol and Other Drugs Branch, have been kept informed of interim service planning and future model of care developments through participation on the Chief Executive and Department of Health Oversight Committee.

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