

AET Centre Commissioning

Steering Committee Update – November 2019

Background

Children's Health Queensland Hospital and Health Service (CHQ HHS) is leading the commissioning of the new statewide Adolescent Extended Treatment (AET) Centre, including development of operational processes, workforce recruitment, and ongoing service provision and facility management. This work is being directed by the AET Centre Commissioning Steering Committee, as part of the Youth Mental Health Program being progressed by the Mental Health Alcohol and Other Drugs Branch (MHAODB), Department of Health.

Activities to Date

The AET Centre Commissioning Project Team have:

- Appointed the Nurse Unit Manager and Administration Team Leader with many thanks to the consumer and carer representatives who participated in those recruitment panels. The Nurse Educator and Facility Manager positions will be readvertised. Recruitment for the registered nurse and clinical nurse positions has now commenced.
- Continued the naming process for the AET Centre. There were 344 submissions received through workshops with consumers, carers, families, and mental health staff and the web-based crowdsourcing hub. All names are being considered for a shortlist to be submitted to the Minister for Health and Premier. An indigenous name is also being provided by the Brisbane northside elder.
- Progressed contracts for waste management, fire management, pest control and security services. Legal advice received has noted that CHQ's food service contract cannot be extended so CHQ will go to market for a standard offering arrangement.
- Clarified furniture, fittings and equipment and procurement has commenced. Consumers and carers will be involved in the selection of furnishings for the centre.
- Continued development of an implementation plan for the AET service evaluation framework.

Coming Up

- Continue recruitment to AET Centre positions.
- Finalise the selection of furniture, fittings and equipment for the AET Centre with consumer and carer participation.
- Facilitate a workshop to develop the AET Service Operational Guidelines with clinical, consumer and carer representation.

The next meeting of the AET Centre Commissioning Steering Committee will be held on **22nd January 2020**.

For further information regarding the AET Centre Commissioning Project, please contact the Commissioning Team on CHQ-CYMHS-AET@health.qld.gov.au

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