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BreastScreen mobile at new North Toowoomba location

BreastScreen Queensland's state-of-the-art digital mobile service will be visiting a new location in Toowoomba for the first time next week.

Jessica Hobbs, Health Promotion Officer for BreastScreen's Toowoomba Service, said the mobile service would be located at Northpoint Shopping Centre, Ruthven Street, from 22 June until 1 July.

"We are very excited to be taking the mobile service to a new location and making free breast screening available to more local women," Ms Hobs said.

"Northpoint's location on Ruthven Street means there is exposure to a large volume of passing traffic and the residents of North Toowoomba so we are expecting a good response.

"It is an ideal location for women who live at Highfields and other locations north of Toowoomba, who may be coming in to town but do not have the time to visit the BreastScreen Clinic at Toowoomba Hospital.

"There are still appointments available and the mobile service will be at Northpoint until 1 July so if you are aged 40 or over call 132050 and make an appointment for a free breast screen today."

Ms Hobbs said there was extra incentive for local women to make an appointment to have a breast screen while the mobile service was at Northpoint.

"Every woman who has a breast screen while the service is at Northpoint will go in the draw for a voucher worth more than \$200 from Plush Beauty on West Street, and they will receive 15 per cent off the next time they visit Plush Beauty," she said.

"Our thanks go to the Toowoomba Hospital Foundation and Plush Beauty Toowoomba for making this fantastic prize and offer available."

All women aged 40 and over are eligible for a free breast screen every two years. A doctor's referral is not required. The BreastScreen Mobile Digital Service will be at a variety of locations in and around Toowoomba over the coming months including: Masters Home Improvement, Hume Street until 19 June; Northpoint Shopping Centre, Ruthven Street 22 June – 1 July; Withcott CWA 8 – 17 July; Oakey Hospital 13 – 24 July; Gatton Hospital 27 July – 28 August

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