

# AET Centre Commissioning

Steering Committee Update – February 2020

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## Background

Children's Health Queensland Hospital and Health Service (CHQ HHS) is leading the commissioning of the new statewide Adolescent Extended Treatment Centre (now known as *Jacaranda Place*), including development of operational processes, workforce recruitment, and ongoing service provision and facility management. This work is being directed by the AETC (*Jacaranda Place*) 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

- On 14<sup>th</sup> February, the Premier and Minister for Health announced the new name for the AET Centre, being *Jacaranda Place – Queensland Adolescent Extended Treatment Centre*. A consumer and carer representative were present on the day to assist with planting of a Jacaranda Tree as a symbolic acknowledgement of the new name.
- Recruitment activities are nearing completion with appointments having been made to most clinical positions. Remaining clinical and administration positions are in the process of being recruited to.
- The first draft of the Model of Care/Operational Guidelines is being finalised for broader circulation.
- Contracts and service agreements for food services, waste management, fire management, pest control and security services are progressing.
- The Assistant Director of Nursing and Medical Director for Jacaranda Place have now presented an overview of the new service to Child and Youth Mental Health Services within other Hospital and Health Services across Queensland.
- CHQ representatives met with Health Consumers Queensland in regard to ensuring the consumer and carer voice continues to be heard in the new service. Action items agreed included continuing the Steering Committee until the end of 2020; facilitating a workshop about how best to incorporate the consumer and care voice in Jacaranda Place governance; and having a dedicated position/s to engage with consumers and carers of the service.

## Coming Up

- Finalise recruitment and commence onboarding of staff.
- Finalise the procurement of furniture and fittings for Jacaranda Place and commence delivery.
- Finalise contracts and services agreements for services.
- Finalise the AET Service Model of Care/Operational Guidelines.

The next meeting of the AETC Commissioning Steering Committee will be held on **25<sup>th</sup> March 2020**.

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