

AET Centre Commissioning

Steering Committee Update – May 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:

- Met with the MHAODB regarding the independent clinical expert advice received on operationalisation and staffing of the AETC. CHQ will now review the workforce profile and operational budget with this in mind.
- Met with CHQ People and Culture and HCQ representatives to discuss training for consumers and carers who will be involved in AETC recruitment panels. Materials are now under development.
- Met with the builder to finalise way finding signage for the AETC. Consumer and carer representatives in attendance provided valuable input into making signage more user-friendly.
- The CHQ Communications and Engagement Team have identified a suitable Government Standing Offer Arrangement that can be leveraged to source an external facilitator for the AETC naming process. An order form is now under development to seek expressions of interest from suppliers.
- Continued discussions with the builder and QH IT regarding the information and communications technology requirements for the AETC.
- Continued exploration of the operational aspects of commissioning, such as the provision of cleaning, food services, gardening, and security.
- Launched an Expression of Interest advertisement on the Australian College of Mental Health Nursing website.

Coming Up

- Review of the furniture, fittings and equipment for the AET Centre.
- Ongoing development of operational service options and guidelines for the AET Centre.
- Development of recruitment documentation for AET Centre positions to be advertised.

Consumer and carer participation will be sought in each of these important activities.

The next meeting of the AET Centre Commissioning Steering Committee will be held on **26th June 2019**.

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

For further information regarding the broader Youth Mental Health Program, please contact the MHAODB on EDyouthmentalhealth@health.qld.gov.au

