

AET Facility Commissioning

Steering Committee Update

Background

The new adolescent extended treatment (AET) facility to be built on The Prince Charles Hospital (TPCH) campus in Brisbane will extend the continuum of mental health service options available to adolescents with severe and complex mental health issues across the state through delivery of the State-wide AET Model of Service. The aim of the new statewide service is to deliver safe, high quality, integrated mental health services that promotes hope, dignity, recovery, and connectedness for consumers and their families.

Children's Health Queensland Hospital and Health Service (CHQ HHS) is leading the commissioning of this facility, including development of operational processes, workforce recruitment, and ongoing service provision and facility management, under the direction of the AET Facility 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

CHQ HHS project resources for commissioning activities commenced in June 2018, and the first AET Facility Commissioning Steering Committee, chaired by Frank Tracey, Executive Director Clinical Services, CHQ HHS was held on 28th August 2018. The Committee agreed that a communique will be produced following the monthly meetings to keep stakeholders informed about the commissioning activities as they unfold.

The AET Facility Commissioning Project Team have:

- Established the AET Facility Commissioning Steering Committee, which includes two carer and two consumer, CHQ and other HHS and MHAODB members.
- Commenced development of a draft staffing profile for the facility, based on the draft State-wide AET Model of Service (being developed by the MHAODB) and the Business Planning Framework for nursing workforce.
- Progressed a Ministerial Brief, in partnership with the MHAODB, to lead the formal naming recommendation for the new State-wide AET facility, in accord with Queensland Health's Real Property Asset Naming Guidelines.
- Identified key CHQ HHS and TPCH, Metro North HHS stakeholders to commence exploration of the operational aspects of commissioning options (e.g. provision of security, food services, cleaning, and gardening). There will be opportunities for stakeholder contribution in this process through Working Groups.

Coming Up

- Development of an AET Facility Commissioning Project Plan to be informed by the construction plan for the state-wide facility.
- Collection of information about operational services required for the state-wide facility.
- Development of a HR strategy for prospective employees to express interest in roles to be advertised.

The next meeting of the AET Facility Commissioning Steering Committee will be held on **26th September 2018**.

For further information regarding the AET Facility 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

