

# AET Centre Commissioning

Steering Committee Update – March 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

Meetings between the Department of Health and Chief Executives of Metro North HHS and CHQ HHS have led to agreed governance arrangements for the AET Centre. It has now been confirmed that CHQ HHS will be the future owner and operator of the AETC. The land at the site of the AETC will remain the property of Metro North HHS, who will lease the land to CHQ HHS. These arrangements will be formalised through a service agreement.

The AET Centre Commissioning Project Team:

- Completed a review of detailed construction documentation, room data and layout sheets, and finalised interior and exterior colour schemes.
- Continued exploration of the operational aspects of commissioning, such as the provision of cleaning, food services, gardening, and security.
- Launched video clips of CHQ HHS child and youth mental health clinicians, highlighting the culture and benefits of working for CHQ HHS and AET Centre positions. These can now be viewed at:  
<https://www.childrens.health.qld.gov.au/chq/work-for-us/opportunities-in-new-adolescent-mental-health-service/>

## Coming Up

- Finalisation of an AET Centre Commissioning Project Plan, which will be informed by the construction plan for the AET Centre and will incorporate the AET Centre Workforce Plan.
- Review of the furniture, fittings and equipment for the AET Centre. There will be opportunities for consumer and carer contribution in the selection process through Working Groups.
- Ongoing development of operational service options and guidelines for the AET Centre. There will be opportunities for stakeholder, including consumer and carer, contribution through Working Groups.
- Development of recruitment documentation for AET Centre positions to be advertised.

The next meeting of the AET Centre Commissioning Steering Committee will be held on **1<sup>st</sup> May 2019**.

For further information regarding the AET Centre Commissioning Project, please contact the Commissioning Team on [CHQ-CYMHS-AET@health.qld.gov.au](mailto: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](mailto:EDyouthmentalhealth@health.qld.gov.au)

