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Briefing Note for Approval

Director-General

Requested by: Chief Executive, West
Moreton Hospital and Health Service

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Action required by: 24 December 2014

SUBJECT: Update on the Barrett Adolescent Centre

Proposal

That the Director-General:

Note the current status of consumers and the changing clinical environment at the Barrett Adolescent Centre (BAC).

Note the recommendation that the date of the proposed media event for 10 January 2014 be reconsidered to occur post closure of BAC.

Approve the recommendation to convene a Director-General (Queensland Health) to Director-General (Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services) meeting to progress consumer transition plans.

Provide this brief to the Minister for information.

Urgency

1. **Urgent** – the change processes associated with BAC warrants close monitoring of the clinical environment.

Headline Issues

2. The top issues are:

- ✓ A flexible closure date of the end of January 2014 for the BAC building has been announced and individual consumer transition plans are progressing accordingly.
- Communication and support to BAC consumers and parents/carers has been increased throughout the final stages of the BAC change process.
- 7 On the basis of a fluid clinical environment leading up to the closure of BAC, it is recommended that consideration be given to rescheduling the media statement proposed for 10 January 2014 to a date in February.

Blueprint

3. How does this align with the Blueprint for Better Healthcare in Queensland?
 - Providing Queenslanders with value in health services – value for taxpayers' money.
 - Better patient care in the community setting, utilising safe, sustainable and responsive service models – delivering best patient care.

Key issues

4. There are currently [redacted] at BAC. The care planning for current BAC consumers is being progressed by West Moreton Hospital and Health Service (HHS) Clinical Care Transition Panels in consultation with Children's Health Queensland (CHQ) HHS. Current inpatient status:



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6. As inpatients transition to alternative appropriate care options, clinical staff are reviewing on a daily basis the requirements of delivering a clinically and therapeutically appropriate service to the remaining inpatients at BAC.
7. It is the clinical opinion of senior staff that BAC should not stay open if only one inpatient is remaining as this is not clinically or therapeutically appropriate. Additionally the mix and gender of inpatients will be taken into account.
8. West Moreton and CHQ will provide updates to the Minister's Office to keep them informed of the changing clinical needs of the consumers and the advice from clinicians to safely and actively manage this transition process for each individual consumer.
9. The patients on the waitlist for BAC have been reviewed by the Clinical Care Transition Panel to ensure that all clinical needs are being met appropriately.
10. The holiday program is currently being delivered at BAC in partnership with Aftercare. In the first week there has been positive participation and feedback from day patients and inpatients with on average four young people in attendance each day. This program will continue until 24 January 2014 (excluding public holidays and weekends).
11. BAC staff have received letters detailing the abolishment of their positions and the options available to them. Support and information is being provided through West Moreton HHS Workforce Division and through line managers of the staff.

Background

12. In August 2013 the Minister for Health announced that adolescents requiring extended mental health treatment and rehabilitation will receive services through a new range of contemporary service options from early 2014. CHQ is responsible for the governance of the new service options to be implemented as part of its statewide role in providing healthcare for Queensland's children.
13. The Minister for Health and West Moreton HHS Board gave a public commitment to ongoing provision of safe and comprehensive clinical care for BAC consumers during the transition to the new statewide adolescent extended treatment and rehabilitation services.
14. West Moreton will continue to monitor all aspects of the impending closure of BAC on a daily basis including consultation and liaison with the Department of Health, MHAODB and CHQ.
15. Regular contact is provided with the parents/carers of BAC consumers by the BAC clinical team and executive staff of West Moreton. This is being managed through personal emails, phone calls and ongoing BAC Fast Fact Sheets.

Consultation

16. Dr Stephen Stathis, Clinical Director, Child and Youth Mental Health Services, Children's Health Queensland HHS.
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Attachments

19. Nil.

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APPROVED/NOT APPROVED

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IAN MAYNARD
Director-General

10 6 JAN 2013

To Minister's Office For Noting ☒

Director-General's comments

Push to arrange meeting with Michael Hogan + Bill Fyfe next.

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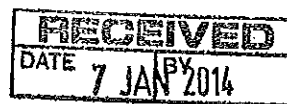
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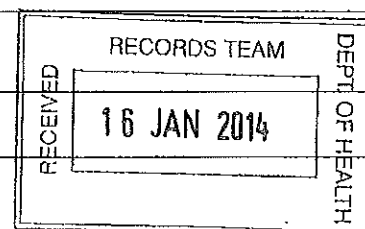
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The Honourable Lawrence Springborg MP
Minister for Health



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**Recommendation**

That the Minister:

Note the Barrett Adolescent Centre (BAC) facility, West Moreton Hospital and Health Service (HHS) has a flexible closure date of end of January 2014.

Note that all current consumers of BAC have comprehensive multidisciplinary transition planning occurring to ensure appropriate and individual care plans are developed in association with local HHSs and other key service providers, and that there is no gap to service delivery.

Note the daily monitoring of the changing clinical environment and consumer mix at BAC to ensure that the environment remains therapeutic during the change process and that the best care options are being provided to each individual consumer.

Note the recommendation that the proposed media event (10 January 2014) regarding future statewide adolescent service options be rescheduled to February, post closure of BAC facility.

Note the critical accommodation needs for [redacted] of BAC and the recommendation to escalate to the Director-General, Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disabilities.

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LAWRENCE SPRINGBORG
Minister for Health

Chief of Staff

Minister's comments

Briefing note rating

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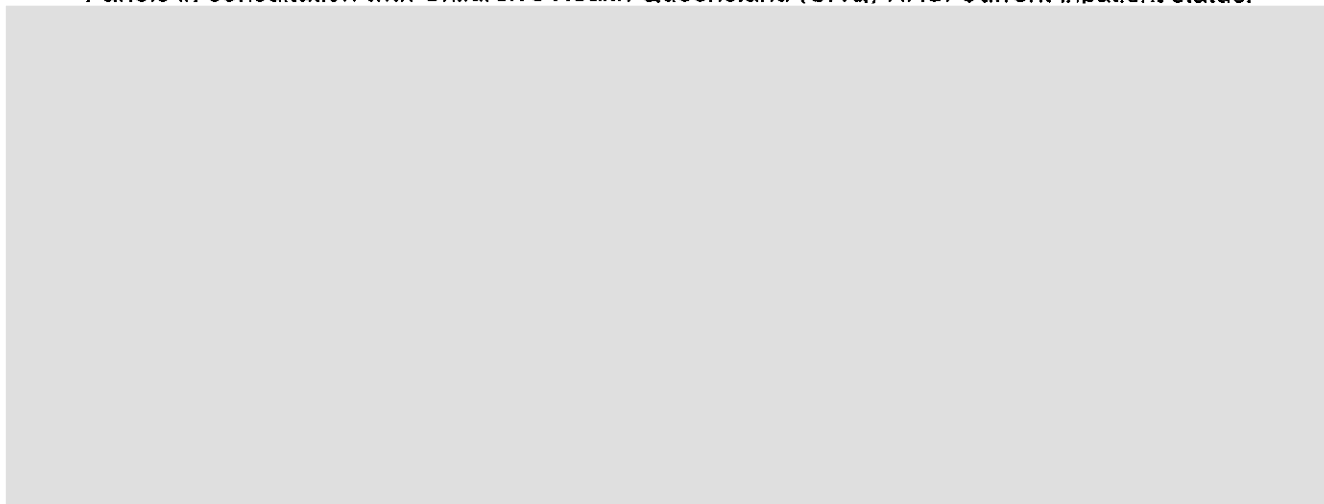


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 Director-General

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