Queensland Health MINISTERIAL BRIEFING NOTE FOR INFORMATION

- TO Minister Robertson
- **FROM:** Pam Lane, A/District CEO, Darling Downs - West Moreton Health Service District

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SUBJECT ACHS Organisation Wide Survey Recommendations and Accreditation Status for West Moreton South Burnett Health Service District

PURPOSE

To inform the Minister of the accreditation status following the Organisation Wide Survey 18 - 22 August 2008.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Minister note that the Australian Council of HealthCare Standards (ACHS) has given four Advanced Completion Reviews to be completed within 60 days followed by a one year conditional accreditation for a high priority recommendation concerning the Barrett Adolescent Centre Capital Works Project.

FUNDING SOURCE

• Not applicable

CURRENT ISSUES

• One Year Conditional Accreditation

The ACHS has advised the District that a one year conditional accreditation can only be granted due to the continued delay of the redevelopment of Barrett Adolescent Centre.

• Advanced Completion Reviews in 60 days

The ACHS has withheld Accreditation for the West Moreton South Burnett Health Service District until completion of four Advanced Completion Reviews (AC60's) which requires the District to have systems and processes in place within 60 days to address four high risk areas

PROPOSED ACTIONS Barrett Adolescent Centre:

- The Barrett Adolescent Centre proposed redevelopment has a clear action plan and timeframe. The District Manager will discuss this with Dr Aaron Groves, Director Mental Health Services.
- Minor capital works are completed to address patient and staff safety issues and in particular, the construction of a High Dependency Unit within the existing building.

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High Risk Areas:

• Fire Survey Reports for all Sites owned by the District

Ipswich Hospital is currently undergoing a fire survey by Queensland Fire & Rescue Service (QFRS) (commenced end of July 2008) and it is anticipated that this will be completed well within the 60 day time frame. The A/District Director of Clinical Support Services is meeting weekly with the QFRS Regional Manager for a status report to address any deficits as they arise.

Other sites that require a Fire Survey (Goodna and Ipswich Community Health Plaza) have had requests submitted to QFRS for fire surveys to be conducted. It is unknown at this stage whether this will be completed in time and is a high risk to the organisation's survey status.

- Implementation of Clinical Risk Management and Quality into the Mental Health Service The District has a Clinical Governance Operational Plan which defines the governance structure, systems and processes for the District. An action plan has been developed to accelerate the full implementation of clinical risk management into the Mental Health Service.
- Credentialing and Scope of Practice for Medical Staff across the District The surveyors found that scope of practice needs more definition for proceduralists. It was recommended that the current system and process be reviewed to improve credentialing and scope of practice.
- **Documentation Management and Audit at The Park Centre for Mental Health** It was found that whilst there was evidence of Medical Record auditing taking place at The Park -Centre for Mental Health, there needed to be concurrent auditing due to the low number of discharges.

Secondly, there are Medical Records being stored in less than favourable conditions dating back to the 1800's. As these are important historical archives, it is proposed to seek the assistance of the State Archivist for their safe and appropriate storage.

BACKGROUND

• The West Moreton South Burnett Health Service District was surveyed by ACHS from 18 to 22 August 2008 to complete the amalgamation of South Burnett Health Service District – previously accredited by Institute of Healthy Communities Australia – and bring them in line with West Moreton Health Service District.

• Ongoing ACHS review

The surveyors will return to the District after 60 days to assess our progress towards completing these high priority recommendations. Providing they are satisfied that appropriate progress has been made, ACHS will grant us a one year conditional accreditation. The surveyors will return in 12 months to assess our progress in completing the Barrett Adolescent Centre recommendations.

MEDIA IMPLICATIONS AND KEY MESSAGES: N/A

ATTACHMENTS: N/A

MINISTER'S COMMENTS

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