

# Clarence Integrated Care Centre (ICC) Project – Staff Update November 2008

As you are aware the Tasmanian and Australian Governments have committed a total of \$18 million to the development of a new Integrated Care Centre on the site of the existing Clarence Community Health Centre.

The new centre will be developed between now and the end of 2010. This will be the first Integrated Care Centre developed in Tasmania.

## **Milestones achieved to date:**

The service model for the new Centre is currently under development. Extensive consultations have been held with health professionals to test the ideas within the draft model. The Consultant's, Burns Bridge Sweet Health, are expected to provide their final report by the end of November which will include

- model of service delivery
- set of services to be included
- volume of activity anticipated
- volume of activity expected to bypass the Royal Hobart Hospital (RHH)
- workforce requirements including an indication if services can be relocated or refocused to deliver services in the ICC
- facility requirements, including an operational model and the space needed to accommodate staff and services.

Once the report has been received, continued work with staff will be required to further develop the model.

The Clarence ICC Project Manager and Janine Combes from Community Focus have begun broad community consultation with a wide range of stakeholders concurrently with the service model consultations. A database of over 250 stakeholders has been established and

consultations have covered discussion of what the project hopes to achieve, opportunities and threats for individual stakeholders.

To date most consultations have been individual or small group sessions, a session will be held on 20 November 2008 for non-government organisations.

General Practice South and General Practice Training Tasmania are supporting the Project Manager in a planning session with General Practitioners on 25 November 2008.

A briefing was provided to Clarence City Council Alderman on 27 October 2008 by the Minister and Project Manager.

## **Next Steps:**

- Consultations continue.
- An architect will shortly be engaged to commence the design phase for the new project. This work is expected to take up to eight months for completion of detailed design and documentation.
- A consultant will be engaged to develop and make recommendations around appropriate governance arrangements for the ICC & GP Super Clinic.

## **Further Information:**

Staff who have queries or who require further information are encouraged to contact Marina Campbell, Centre Manager.