

headspace Mandurah to relocate

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headspace Mandurah plans to relocate to a standalone location in Mandurah, giving young people greater access to the range of youth friendly services.

The decision has been made after careful consideration by WA Primary Health Alliance, the service funder, and the Australian Government Department of Health, in close consultation with 360 Health + Community, the lead agency for headspace Mandurah, and headspace National Youth Mental Health Foundation.

The current service, which operates out of Peel Health Hub, will continue uninterrupted while new premises are sought.

The move presents an opportunity for the headspace Youth Reference Group, young people's families, and the wider community to have input on what is important for them in the development of the standalone premises.

WA Primary Health Alliance General Manager Commissioned Services, Mark Cockayne said the current location within Peel Health Hub has provided a solid base for this much needed service.

"The time co-locating at the Peel Health Hub has enabled headspace Mandurah to gain a firm foothold in the Mandurah community, however the headspace framework will be optimised in standalone premises."

360 Health + Community Chief Executive Officer, Gautam Gupta said actively working to support young people in this critical space is an important part of our service offering.

"We are pleased to support headspace Mandurah in this progressive move and are committed to providing the optimal environment to help young people achieve their mental health and wellbeing goals.

"We look forward to working closely with headspace National, WA Primary Health Alliance and the headspace Mandurah Consortium and Youth Reference Group, along with the wider local community, to inform the selection of the site and design of the new headspace Centre.

"We would also like to acknowledge and thank the GP down south and all co-locators at the Peel Health Hub for supporting the establishment of headspace Mandurah for the past three years."

GP down south CEO Amanda Poller reinforced that the main goal is supporting young people in pursuit of mental health and wellbeing.

"The Peel Health Hub's Model of Care will continue to provide a one-stop-shop for young people and anyone at risk of poor health outcomes."

A strong collaborative relationship will continue between headspace Mandurah and Peel Health Hub via referral pathways for clients both into and out of the Hub.

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Further details on the relocation, including timing, will be announced in due course.

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