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Full team employed at headspace Katherine

An extensive recruitment process has resulted in the appointment of a fantastic team for the upcoming headspace Katherine mental health service, which will open at the Randazzo Centre on Main Street in the coming months.

The positions include a Centre Manager, Clinical Manager, Senior Clinician, Youth Mental Health Clinician, Aboriginal Wellbeing Worker, Community Engagement Worker and a Receptionist.

headspace Katherine, managed by Anglicare NT, will provide primary mental health services for young people experiencing mild to moderate mental health concerns.

"We aim to be the go-to early intervention mental health and wellbeing service for young people in the region, strengthening the next generation of our community by helping young people get the support they need," said Jade Gooding, Anglicare NT Executive Manager Mental Health.

Members of the team recently participated in the first ever headspace Katherine Consortium meeting, a collective forum where priority areas are outlined and advice is provided on the strategic direction of the headspace Katherine service.

"The Consortium creates a network to discuss youth mental health issues in the greater Katherine region with key stakeholders like Wurli-Wurlinjang Aboriginal Health Service and other service providers, Elders, as well as local young people," said Ms Gooding.

"The group will meet four times per year to identify gaps in service provision, provide leadership, share knowledge and discuss ideas on how the centre can best meet young people's needs."

Some of the team also attended the recent Barunga Festival where they ran football clinics and promoted positive wellbeing messages with players of Hawthorn Football Club. They were pleased to share that the building works are progressing at the Randazzo site.

"It's exciting to have all our positions filled and to see the centre taking shape" said Ms Gooding.

"The structural design and fit out was developed in consultation with young people, Elders and a range of community members from the Katherine region. They provided direction on the design, themes and names for each of the spaces."

The attached photos show the headspace team at the Barunga Festival and Centre Manager, Tiarah Hunkin and Clinical Manager, Zoe Collins at the building site of the new hub.

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