

## Supporting Young People in contact with the Criminal Justice System Returning to their Community

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## Adolescent Court & Community Team (ACCT) Court Diversion

- Provides a Court Diversion Program to 14 Children's Courts across NSW
- Aim of service is to, where appropriate divert young offenders with mental health concerns away from the criminal justice system and into treatment



## ACCT - Community Consultation Clinic

- This state-wide service is provided for young people (YP) already involved with other agencies such as the Juvenile Justice NSW, Family and Community Services, and Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) who due to their behaviour have contact or are at risk of contact with the Criminal Justice System



## Custodial Mental Health & Dual Diagnosis Clinics

- Enhancing the effectiveness of the MH and D&A services within Adolescent Health by providing an expert client centred consultancy practice.
- Participating in direct patient care provision to all Juvenile Justice Centres and liaison with other JH & FMHN Adolescent CNC's in MH, Community Programs, D&A and physical health.
- Mentoring and provision of clinical leadership and consultancy to nursing staff and all those caring for YP with dual diagnosis in the delivery of high quality, effective treatment interventions within AH.



## Aboriginal Sexual Health Education Officer

- Provides sexual health and blood borne virus education to reduce risky behaviours both in custody and in the community. Available at all seven Juvenile Justice Centres.
- Target population is Aboriginal young people, however, non Aboriginal young people are not excluded from the ASHEO program.



## Antenatal Care Coordinator

- Provide antenatal care and referral pathways for pregnant young women with MH, and or D&A issues.
- Provide antenatal, reproductive and general health and parenting education to young men and women in custody.
- Provided at all seven Juvenile Justice Centres.
- Facilitate links to services in the community upon release



## Aboriginal Mental Health Clinical Leader

- The AMHCL provides advice to JH&FMHN staff and Juvenile Justice on interacting and engaging with Aboriginal young people in a culturally appropriate and sensitive manner.
- Provides health education and health promotion to Aboriginal young men in custody through the facilitation of the Aboriginal Youth Health Access Workshop (AYHAWP)
- AYHAWP aims to improve the barriers to health access for Aboriginal young people leaving custody
- AYHAWP encourages young people to identify their health concerns early
- Holistic Youth health model of learning
- Provides accurate and up to date health information about community based services
- Aboriginal young men learn about confidentiality and privacy when making appointments and during appointments to see a health professional
- All participants are given the opportunity to obtain a Medicare card as a tool to access community based services



## Community Integration Team (CIT)

- The target group is young people currently in custody with a serious mental illness, emerging mental illness and/or problematic drug and alcohol use or dependence
- CIT clinicians coordinate care prior to and during the critical post release period with links made to specialist and general community services
- Operational in 11 sites across NSW.



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