

The Jamie Larcombe Centre

A new mental health precinct for our Veterans

Under Transforming Health, \$15 million is being invested to establish a Veterans' Mental Health Precinct, named The Jamie Larcombe Centre, at Glenside Health Service Campus.

FAST FACTS

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Post-Traumatic Stress
Disorder services

Designated areas for
vulnerable groups

Outpatient rooms

Gardens and family
friendly spaces

Gymnasium to support
physical and emotional
wellbeing

Research spaces

Partnerships Hub for
information and support
services



Under Transforming Health, all services currently received by Veterans and the community, including all clinical and rehabilitation services currently provided at the Repatriation General Hospital, will continue at different locations across our metropolitan hospitals.

To accommodate services from Ward 17 at the Repatriation General Hospital, a new Veterans' Mental Health Precinct, named The Jamie Larcombe Centre, will be established at Glenside Health Service Campus.

A purpose built facility

The new facility will be purpose built, incorporating the existing Intermediate Care Centre building, and has been co-designed with the Veteran community to meet the current and future needs of Veterans.

The precinct will include:

- > 24 single bedrooms with ensuites to provide privacy for Veterans and their families
- > An ambulatory service incorporating outpatient treatment and a Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) service
- > Private areas for vulnerable groups to ensure the precinct is comfortable for Veterans with different needs
- > A gymnasium, group rooms and shared spaces for Veterans who wish to interact with others
- > Gardens and areas for reflection
- > Family friendly spaces
- > Research spaces to advance Veterans' mental health care
- > A Partnerships Hub, located in the adjacent heritage building, for support groups and Ex-Service Organisations
- > Car parking facilities.

More than \$5,000 has been raised by the SAS Association of South Australia to develop an outside play area at the precinct, creating a family friendly environment for Veterans and their families.

Construction is due for completion in late 2017.



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The precinct is named after Sapper Jamie Ronald Larcombe, who was born in Kingscote, Kangaroo Island and was deployed to Afghanistan in 2010. The name is a tribute to the service and sacrifice of Sapper Larcombe, who was killed in action on 19 February 2011.

'The Jamie Larcombe Centre' refers to the precinct as a whole. The remaining areas within the facility will be known by their functional names: Inpatient Ward, Outpatient Ward, Memorial Garden, and Hub.

Recognising our Veterans

The service of Veterans will be recognised in many ways throughout the precinct.

The gardens will feature space for plaques and the Garden Retreat Mural, currently located at Ward 17 at the Repatriation General Hospital, will be reinstalled in the courtyard. The precinct will also feature a rotating display space in the library and information about Sapper Jamie Ronald Larcombe, after whom the precinct is named.

Several other items will be transferred from Ward 17 to The Jamie Larcombe Centre, including the Australian Military History Library, donated photos and figurines, artwork and poppies from the garden retreat.

The memorabilia currently located at Ward 17 will be documented and listed in the Virtual War Memorial.



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The Hub: a one stop shop for Veterans

The Partnerships Hub (The Hub) will provide Veterans, emergency services personnel who are experiencing PTSD and their families, with access to information, people and services to support their individual needs.

The Hub will provide a single point of contact for Veterans and their families to access vital services provided by Ex-Service Organisations (ESOs), while also enabling ESOs to collaborate and share expertise to further meet the needs of Veterans.

The Hub will include:

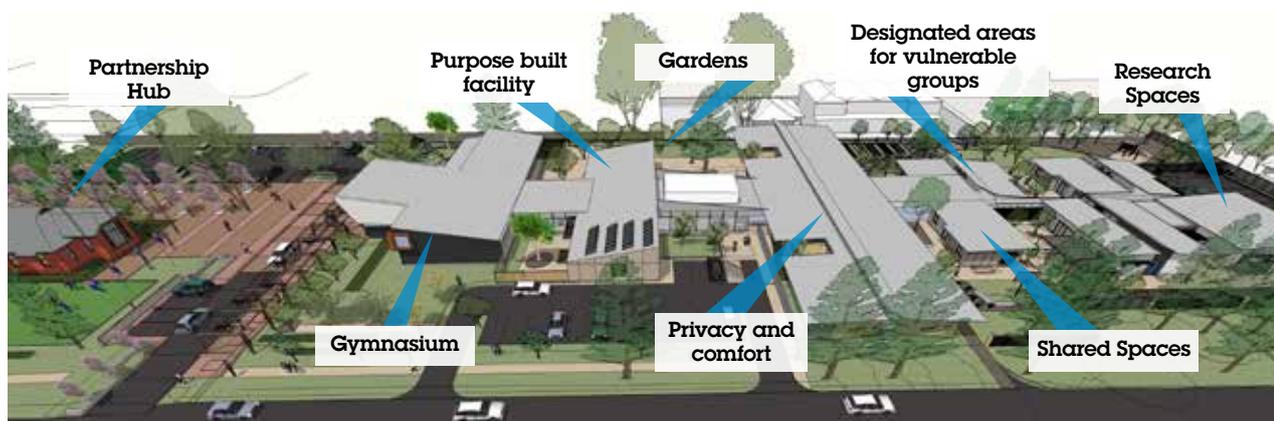
- > A meeting space that can be adjusted to meet varying group sizes and activities
- > Flexible work spaces
- > Display space
- > A kitchen
- > A secure, fenced courtyard.

The Hub will be located in the heritage building adjacent to The Jamie Larcombe Centre.

Integrating research and clinical care

Specialist research and teaching facilities will be incorporated into the precinct, integrating clinical care with research to advance the understanding and treatment of Veterans' mental health issues.

Integrating research space into the precinct will also provide opportunities to further develop cross-institutional research partnerships. These partnerships are essential to enhancing clinical care and ongoing medical education and training, career development and research funding.



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