



## **2025-26 Budget Commitments**

### Key mental health and alcohol and other drug initiatives

## Infant, Child and Adolescent (ICA) - Perinatal infant mental health subacute residential service

The State Government is investing \$39.5 million to partner with Ngala to deliver no-cost public access to the Ngala Residential Parenting Service, providing mental health, early intervention and prevention support to families across Western Australia.

#### **ICA - Acute Care Response Teams**

The State Government is investing \$13.8 million for the establishment and implementation of the Bunbury Acute Care Response Team in the South-West to provide mental health services for young people aged up to 18, ensuring local families can access the care they need.

#### ICA - Virtual Infant Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service

The State Government will invest \$12.2 million for the establishment of a Virtual Infant Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (VICAMHS) hub to ensure young people with complex needs in WA's regions, particularly those aged 5-12 years, have better access to specialist mental health support, regardless of where they live.

More information on ICA services can be found at ica.mhc.wa.gov.au

# Great Southern residential alcohol and other drugs low medical withdrawal

The State Government will invest \$12.4 million for the establishment of a residential alcohol and other drugs low medical withdrawal and adult rehabilitation service in the Great Southern region of Western Australia.

#### **Active Recovery Teams pilot continuation**

The State Government will invest an additional \$11.3 million in 2025-26 for a 12-month extension to the Active Recovery Team (ART) pilot program. Evaluation will be undertaken to monitor the impact of the ART program in the community and the intensive support it provides to people with acute and complex needs who would otherwise present to hospital emergency departments.







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# Kalgoorlie Step Up/Step Down service to be operated by WA Country Health Service

The State Government is investing \$9.9 million to increase community access, strengthen links to Kalgoorlie Regional Hospital, and build capacity to support higher acuity consumers.

#### **Kimberley Health Initiatives**

The State Government is investing \$10.8 million for health initiatives in the Kimberley, including \$8.8 million for the planning and establishment of the Derby Wellbeing Centre, a community-led service that will co-locate key health services and support early intervention of mental health and alcohol and other drugs issues.

The State Government is investing \$2 million to meet 12-month planning costs for a proposed low to medium medical withdrawal service in the West Kimberley region. This will allow the Mental Health Commission to conduct and coordinate exploratory consultation to identify the needs and scope of this service in Broome.

#### **Residential Eating Disorder service**

The State Government will invest \$5 million to support planning for WA's first residential eating disorder facility. Community-based residential treatment services aim to prevent people from requiring more acute and intensive hospital-based treatment, in addition to providing support following hospital discharge and prior to returning home.

