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### **Pharmaceutical Rehabilitation Services to receive \$600,000**

The Liberal National Government will invest \$600,000 through Pharmaceutical Rehabilitation Services in Beenleigh, to tackle drug and alcohol abuse.

Pharmaceutical Rehabilitation Services run a targeted programme with a focus on drug and alcohol treatment, preventative primary and chronic disease management and mental health.

Minister for Health, Greg Hunt said the funding would assist people battling the effects of substance abuse and boost the capacity of treatment in Logan.

"We know that people impacted by alcohol and drugs need to be able to access appropriate support when and where they need it, services are crucial to enable people with substance problems to get their lives back on track," Minister Hunt said.

"Pharmaceutical Rehabilitation Services are engaging with local GPs in Logan to assist them on drug and alcohol and Hepatitis C treatment methods. Our support will allow them to expand on this program and educate the local community."

Federal Member for Forde, Bert van Manen said alcohol abuse can have a devastating impact on families, especially children.

"We are seeing more admissions to hospital where alcohol is a primary cause, more deaths from substance misuse which is why our Government are investing in specialist treatment services."

"The funding will increase the treatment service offerings in Logan where historically there has been a large gap. Not only will the funding increase access to specialised health care, but will go towards upgrading facilities and a targeted education and awareness campaign," Mr van Manen said.

The Government is committed to tackling substance abuse in Logan with a \$600,000 investment in Pharmaceutical Rehabilitation Services.

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The Liberal National Government's strong economic management ensures the continued investment of record funding into vital health initiatives including drug and alcohol treatment, mental health, life-saving medicines, Medicare and hospitals.

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