



Message from the CEO – Bernice Smith

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Goldbridge Rehabilitation Services (Goldbridge) is based in Southport on the Gold Coast, Queensland. This year marks Goldbridge's 35th year in service. Goldbridge was officially opened on the 26th June 1988 by the Mayor of the Gold Coast who at the time was the Hon. Lex Bell. We are halfway through our 35th year and looking forward to celebrating this further in 2024.

Goldbridge has serviced hundreds of clients during the year, not only in the core Therapeutic Community (TC) residential rehabilitation program but also in our Transition, Continuing Care, Assessment and Day Program areas.

There is information on our website about the TC residential program for people experiencing problematic alcohol and other drug use. Please read up on the programs we provide via our website and give us a call or send an email if you would like further information.

Goldbridge recently held our annual Christmas Pageant at the local Southport Community Centre. It was a great night with stellar performances from staff and clients. I extend my best wishes to you for the festive period ahead.

Goldbridge continues to deliver services within a COVID-19 safe framework. It is great that we have been able to return to normal programming with outings and family visits. Information from Queensland government website says that if you have any COVID-19 symptoms, you should stay home when sick, and contact your local doctor and that vaccination remains our best protection against COVID-19. Goldbridge will continue to adjust our program delivery re COVID-19 as required. Please see update below:

- Hand sanitiser is available and is recommended to be used on entry to all facilities.
- Goldbridge will continue to disinfect surfaces on a regular basis.
- People no longer need to wear masks at any Goldbridge facility unless they have flu like symptoms.
- When COVID-19 is in a residential program area the following may apply:
 - Residents who test positive will reside in our special unit and do program via videoconferencing.
 - Regular contact will occur with people in our special Unit (social distancing/masks to be utilised).
 - RAT testing to be undertaken as required.

The Goldbridge Management Committee, staff team and volunteers are committed to upholding our Mission, Vision and Values

Goldbridge acknowledges and pays respect to the traditional Aboriginal people of the Gold Coast and their descendants. We also acknowledge the many Aboriginal people from other regions as well as Torres Strait and South Sea Islander people who now live in the local area and have made an important contribution to the community.

If you or someone you know is interested in entering the program, please phone 5503 1255, email info@goldbridge.com.au or visit our website www.goldbridge.com.au

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