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Windsor welcomes Indigenous Health funding for Armidale **One of only twelve Australia-wide**

Independent Member for New England, Tony Windsor has welcomed the announcement by Federal Minister for Health, Senator The Hon Kay Patterson of funding for a project in Armidale under the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Program.

The funding of \$20,215 is to be provided to Armidale District Services Inc. for the implementation of a visiting psychiatrist program.

Mr Windsor thanked the Federal Government for its contribution to this much needed health service.

“I thank the Minister for her support of our community with this funding assistance and look forward to the success of the program’s implementation,” Mr Windsor said.

Mr Windsor was also pleased that the Armidale based program was selected as one of only a few to be funded Australia wide.

“It is particularly pleasing to have this service funded as one of only twelve Australia wide and one of only two to be funded in New South Wales under this program.

It is part of a \$1.1 million program of capital and recurrent funding provided to indigenous health services Australia wide.

I congratulate Armidale District Services Inc on their gaining funding for this service and will keep a close interest in it, assisting wherever possible to ensure its success,” Mr Windsor said.

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