

On behalf of the Department of Children, Youth Justice, and Multicultural Affairs (the department), we welcome the Youth Detention Inspectorate's June 2022 inspection report for the Brisbane Youth Detention Centre (BYDC), the Cleveland Youth Detention Centre (CYDC) and the West Moreton Youth Detention Centre (WMYDC).

Rigorous and transparent oversight is essential to ensuring young people in detention are managed appropriately, safely, and securely in accordance with the Youth Justice Act 1992 and the Youth Justice Regulation 2016. Inspection recommendations provide critical insights to ensure youth detention services evolve with contemporary best practice.

The focus areas this quarter included:

- emergency response equipment,
- relationship between staff and young people, and
- confidential information.

The department welcomes and accepts the June 2022 report.

Sincere appreciation is extended to the Youth Detention Inspectorate (YDI) for their important work to improve the youth justice system. I also acknowledge the youth detention staff who work in these challenging environments and their commitment to improving the lives of young people.

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