

**Diabetes TASMANIA
New Launceston offices
to be opened by the Mayor of Launceston
11.00am 14 July 2008**

Diabetes TASMANIA's new Launceston offices, located at 64 Cameron Street, will be officially opened at 11.00am 14 July 2008 by His Worship the Mayor of Launceston Alderman Albert van Zetten.

The opening marks another stage in the development of Diabetes TASMANIA and will assist the organisation in delivering improved diabetes education and support to those people living with the disease in the north of the state.

The CEO of Diabetes TASMANIA, Ms Caroline Wells, says that the new offices in Launceston will provide a more visible presence for Diabetes TASMANIA in the city and will allow for increased delivery of education services. "Diabetes TASMANIA's primary role is to provide diabetes education and support to its members as well as the broader community. The new offices have been opened as part of our strategic plan for the development of our organisation.

"Our education services division has grown dramatically in the past 12 months, with the addition of four new diabetes educators and two dietitians. Our previous offices in Kings Meadows served us well over the years, however it was important that a more visible street presence was developed. We also required increased accommodation for a shop, education rooms and administration. The new premises in Cameron Street address all these important needs and we are confident that they will provide a comfortable and efficient workspace for our staff and clients" Ms Wells said.

After the opening of the offices National Diabetes Week will be officially launched by Senator Guy Barnett at the same location at approximately 11.20am.

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