

Health and Home Affairs Department

5 December 1935 – 26 September 1963

Details

The Health and Home Affairs Department in Brisbane, was created in 1935. It replaced the Home Secretary's Office. The department had administrative control over a number of internal services in Queensland including: Adoption, Children's Services, Epileptic Home, Hospitals, Mental Institutions, State Children and Public Health. In 1963 the Home Affairs Department was abolished and a separate Health Department established.

The Queensland State Archives web site described the function of the Health and Home Affairs Department as follows:

The functions of the Health and Home Affairs Department were divided into two broad jurisdictions: Health and Medical Services Branch and Home Affairs. The Department was under the control of the Secretary for Health and Home Affairs from 5 December 1935 to 12 August 1957, then the Minister for Health and Home Affairs from 12 August 1957 to 26 September 1963.

In 1963 the role of the Home Affairs Department was split between a number of agencies, and the office was abolished. A separate health Department under a Minister responsible only for Health was established.

More info

Chronology

- Colonial Secretary (10 December 1859 - 6 August 1896)
 - Home Secretary's Office (6 August 1896 - 5 December 1935)
- **Health and Home Affairs Department (5 December 1935 – 26 September 1963)**
 - Health Department, State Government of Queensland (26 September 1963 - 3 April 2012)
 - Queensland Health (3 April 2012 - current)

Related Entries

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- [Townsville Receiving Depot \(1934 - 1964\)](#)
- [Willowburn Mental Asylum \(1867 - 1953\)](#)
Date: 1935 - 1953
- [Willowburn Epileptic Home \(1919 - 1950?\)](#)
- [Goodna Hospital for the Insane \(1898 - c. 1940\)](#)
- [Brisbane Mental Hospital \(c. 1940 - 1963\)](#)

- [Ipswich Hospital for the Insane \(1910 - 1938\)](#)
- [Peel Island Lazaret \(31 May 1907 - 5 August 1959\)](#)
- [Fantome Island Lazaret \(1939 - 1973\)](#)
Date: 1939 - 1963
- [Fantome Island Lock Hospital \(1928 - 1945\)](#)
Date: 1935 - 1945
- [Charters Towers Mental Hospital \(1 July 1954 - c. 2001\)](#)
- [Broadhurst Convalescent Home \(1901 - 1942\)](#)
- [Sandgate Maternal and Child Welfare Home \(1944 - 1983\)](#)
Date: 1944 - 1963
- [Royal Brisbane Hospital \(1867 - 2003\)](#)

Resources

- [*Research Guide to orphanage and children's home records at Queensland State Archives*](#), Queensland State Archives website, February 2022
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