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Member for Rankin

Logan has a family relationship centre at last

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Craig Emerson, Member for Rankin, has welcomed the announcement that Lifeline Community Care Queensland has been selected to commence negotiations to operate a Family Relationship Centre in Logan City.

"The establishment of a Family Relationship Centre will be a big win for the people of Logan. I am sure that the Centre will quickly become an integral part for families in crisis in our local community," Dr Emerson said.

"I would like to congratulate Lifeline Community Care Queensland for their successful application to provide this valuable and worthwhile service."

Family Relationship Centres are a first point of contact for people wanting information, advice and assistance with strengthening family relationships, preventing separation or resolving relationship difficulties after separation.

The Centres offer three hours of free family dispute resolution for families who are undergoing separation. The Centres can also refer family members to other services and programs that can help to improve family relationships, whether they are together or separated.

The Family Relationship Centre in Logan is expected to open to the public in July 2008.

Families needing immediate help with family relationship problems can call the Family Relationship Advice Line on 1800 050 321, or log on to Family Relationships Online at www.familyrelationship.gov.au