

# Cape York to get renal services boost

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**A north Queensland MP says residents in Cape York will have better access to renal dialysis services from September.**

• [Map: Cooktown 4871](#)

Jason O'Brien says a \$3 million renal unit in Cooktown has not been used for the past two years because there has not been a local operator.

Cape York and Cooktown residents must travel to Cairns or Atherton for renal treatment.

But Mr O'Brien says Queensland Health is currently training new operators and they will be on-duty later this year.

"That unit should be operating by September, is the advice I've received from Queensland Health, that there should be renal dialysis units operating in Cooktown by September," he said.

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