Residents of Epenarra community and surrounds are set to benefit from a $350,000 upgrade to their local health centre, Member for Barkly, Gerry McCarthy said today.

“This is a direct investment into improving health services for people in this remote community, located about 100 kilometres south-east of Tennant Creek,” Mr McCarthy said.

“The Epenarra Health Clinic services a catchment of around 200 people, and this funding will ensure the facility can continue to provide top quality health care to the community.

“The upgrade is an investment into reaching our Territory 2030 targets to improve access to health services, employment growth and provide government investment in public infrastructure.”

The major upgrade will include:

- a new two-bed emergency treatment area with direct ambulance access
- a new medicines dispensary
- increased consultation space, and
- improved storage facilities

Territory company S&R Building & Construction Pty Ltd will employ up to eight people to start work onsite next week.

“This project has the twin benefits of improving health services for this community as well as creating job opportunities for three apprentices and one Indigenous employee,” Mr McCarthy said.

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