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NT Government Remains Committed to Maternity Services at Palmerston Hospital

The NT Government remains committed to providing safe maternity services at Palmerston Hospital – despite the CLP scaremongering about the quality of service to be provided by Territory doctors, midwives and nurses.

Mr Vatskalis said that both the AMA and the CLP oppose the GP Superclinic and now they oppose bringing critical maternity services to Palmerston and rural families.

“I can assure Territorians that there will be maternity services at the hospital. We have the next three to four years to work with clinicians to develop the best model of care similar to that applying to Gove and Katherine Hospitals for these families.

“If the CLP oppose maternity services in Palmerston, then they oppose them in Gove and Katherine .. so are they suggesting we close them down?

“Every effort will be put into making sure this service meets the needs of the growing Palmerston and rural community, and it will be a hospital with safe and quality services.

“The CLP’s cruel hoax of a proposal would not deliver any in-hospital patient care until 2025.

“The Labor Government has promised a 60 bed fully functional and fully operational hospital by 2016.”

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