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Acute Psychiatric Unit Reopens at Western Regional Hospital

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The Ministry of Health & Wellness is pleased to announce the reopening of the Acute Psychiatric Unit, which was closed due to multiple challenges created by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Situated on the grounds of the Western Regional Hospital, the unit provides services for mentally ill patients who become acutely ill and cannot be managed at home or within their community.

The ministry recognizes the importance of mental health services such as the reduction of the risk of chronic diseases related to stress, anxiety and substance abuse. Mental health services can also save lives and improve the outlook of persons who may feel hopeless and lost.

The Ministry of Health & Wellness aims to continue strengthening the mental health services being provided in Belize.

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