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Yancoal continues flying with Capricorn Helicopter Rescue Service

The renewed sponsorship between Yancoal's Yarrabee Coal Mine and RACQ Capricorn Helicopter Rescue Service (RACQ CHRS) will ensure approximately 300,000 residents continue to have access to lifesaving emergency helicopter rescue services.

RACQ CHRS acts as an airborne intensive care unit to transfer critically ill or injured patients to the hospital to receive treatment. Yarrabee's generous donation helps ensure these services are sustainable for the Central Highlands community.

Operations Manager for RACQ CHRS Kirsty Wooler welcomed the support from Yarrabee Coal.

"Last year we helped a significant number of sick or injured people with many situations life or death. We rely heavily on funding from the major industries in our serviceable area to keep our community rescue service operational.

"It's support from companies like Yarrabee that enable our rescue services continue to be available for all people in the Central Queensland region," said Kirsty.

The RACQ CHRS is available across the Central Queensland region 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and 365 days per year. It provides rapid deployment of medical or rescue teams to major accidents or search and rescue operations.

Yarrabee Coal Operations Manager Cris Shadbolt proudly renewed the sponsorship.

"Ensuring this life saving service remains accessible to all people in our region is vital to our community. There may be an occasion where one of our people need this service or their friends or family therefore we are proud to continue our support of RACQ CHRS," said Cris.

The donation was part of the Yarrabee Community Support Program, which aims to make a positive difference in the local community and to the lives of the people who work and live in the areas it operates.

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