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First Aid for all Territorians



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### CHARITIES PARTNERING FOR KIDS IN REMOTE COMMUNITIES

Variety, the children's charity NT and St John Ambulance NT are delighted to announce a community partnership for the benefit of Territory kids in remote communities.

St John Ambulance NT delivers a Free First Aid in Schools program to Territory students, which has been running since 2013. The program delivers age appropriate first aid to children from pre-school to Year 8 and is offered to every school across the NT. However, due to the geographical location of a number of the remote schools, access has in the past been difficult.

Thanks to the vital support of Variety NT, who have funded a vehicle, with St John meeting the operational costs, we are now in a better position to be able to deliver the First Aid in Schools program to more remote Top End schools.

Both St John and Variety NT have invested resources in a way that will achieve greater reach and longer term outcomes for our children. "This partnership is about identifying commonalities in the work that we do, and together creating a solution to meet a community need". Stated Melinda Fleming of Variety.

Variety NT's mission is to empower Northern Territory children who are sick, disadvantaged or have special needs to live, laugh and learn. This aligns with the St John mission to make first aid a part of every Territorian's life. "We are proud to be working together to achieve these goals and better equip our future generations with skills for life and creating a more resilient community" advised Mark Ferguson of St John.

**The Variety funded vehicle will be officially handed over at a presentation being held at 14.30 today at St John Ambulance Headquarters, 50 Dripstone Road, Casuarina.**

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