

Spastic Centre, Kermode Street, North Adelaide

1949 – 1951 Other Names: • North Adelaide Spastic Children's Centre

Details

The Spastic Centre at Kermode Street, North Adelaide, was established in late 1949 by the Crippled Children's Association of South Australia (CCA). It provided a day school and training centre for children suffering from Cerebral Palsy. In 1951 the Spastic Centre closed and the children were moved to the new centre, Ashford House.

The Spastic Centre at Kermode Street, North Adelaide, was established in late 1949 by the Crippled Children's Association of South Australia (CCA) and officially opened in March 1950. From 1945 until 1949, prior to the opening of the Centre in North Adelaide, the CCA operated a day school and training centre for children suffering from Cerebral Palsy at the Adelaide Children's Hospital. The Kermode Street Centre was a temporary location as plans were being made to build a new centre at Finniss Street, North Adelaide that would cater for up to 100 children. The Finnis Street Centre never eventuated, however, and in 1951 the CCA purchased Ashford House on Anzac Highway at Ashford. Around Christmas that year the children at the Spastic Centre, Kermode Street, were moved to Ashford House. The temporary buildings from Kermode Street were transported to Ashford for use as school rooms.

More info

Chronology

Spastic Centre, Kermode Street, North Adelaide (1949 – 1951)
Ashford House (1952 - 1976)

Resources

• New Spastic Centre "Major Step", The Advertiser, 17 October 1952

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