

New facility for female inmates

JUNEE Correctional Centre is undergoing a small redevelopment with the foundations to a small building already laid.

The building will eventually host a new facility for women on remand at the centre.

GEO Group general manager Andy Walker said two women on remand would often spend up to four to six weeks at the jail at time while awaiting court dates, and the new facility would make a big difference to them.

Previously women were restricted to part of

the medical wing, however, the new building would provide for daily exercise, and gardening and other activities for female inmates on remand.

A total of four cells, including one for disabled inmates, would be built.

Mr Walker said the building was expected to be completed by the end of March, with inmates enrolled in TAFE courses working on the building as part of their rehabilitation.



ROOM TO MOVE: GEO Group general manager Andy Walker inspects the foundations for the new women's remand building under construction at the Junee Correctional Centre.