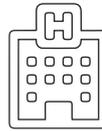


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More beds for short stay patients at Calvary



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There will be more room for patients at Calvary Public Hospital's Short Stay Unit with an expansion underway to add eight extra treatment spaces before the busy Christmas period.

The unit is designed for patients who are expected to be treated and cared for in less than 24 hours. They will receive ongoing care after being initially seen in the Emergency Department.

The extra beds form part of the Hospital's Emergency Department expansion. Four of the beds will be equipped for the treatment of children.

→ More at act.gov.au/our-canberra



Calvary Public Hospital Emergency Medicine Director
Dr Stuart Stapleton and Calvary ED Clinical Manager
Shannon Davis RN.

Download the ACT Health app for information on Walk-in Centres and Emergency Departments.

A message from the Chief Minister

Christmas in Canberra is a great time of year, and Canberrans can celebrate in the CBD with a new Christmas tree and a bigger-than-ever Christmas Village in Garema Place.

Canberrans can also welcome in 2020 in the city, with music, food and fireworks returning to Civic Square for the annual New Year's Eve celebrations.

As we enter the festive period, there will still be many Canberrans working hard to keep our city safe and cared for. Your hard work is appreciated.

I wish you a fantastic Christmas and a prosperous 2020.

Andrew Barr



STOP PRESS! Existing Libraries ACT fines were written off last month and fines for overdue items will no longer be charged.

→ For details, see act.gov.au/our-canberra or visit library.act.gov.au





New modern campus for CIT

A new modern CIT campus will be built in the Woden Town Centre.

The new Woden campus will offer a combination of new and existing programs to provide skills for the future.

CIT Woden will also work with local businesses in the Woden Town Centre.

→ More at act.gov.au/our-canberra

Critical care facility

for Canberra Hospital



The single largest expansion of the Canberra Hospital is underway with the design of the new emergency, surgical and critical healthcare facility.

The SPIRE Project will provide more operating rooms, emergency treatment spaces and intensive care beds to meet the healthcare needs of our growing community.

The delivery partner for the project will be selected in 2020, with works to prepare the site already in progress.

→ More at act.gov.au/majorprojectscanberra

Tenants' rights



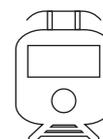
get a boost

It is now easier for tenants to keep pets and make minor modifications to properties they are renting under changes to ACT rental laws.

The new laws also better protect tenants against excessive rent increases.

→ More at act.gov.au/our-canberra

Building light rail to Woden



Canberrans love light rail – with more than 15,000 boardings daily. Work is underway on Stage 2A, which will extend the network from the city to Commonwealth Park.

Stage 2B will follow to complete the link to Woden. For both stages, ground investigation works are in progress to gather information to support design and planning.

In 2020, works for Stage 2A will include the relocation of utilities, intersection upgrades and some changes to traffic and pedestrian movement.

→ More at act.gov.au/majorprojectscanberra

Be water wise this summer

Permanent water conservation measures are in place. Avoid watering in the heat of the day and ensure taps are fully off when not in use.

→ Follow our dam levels and Canberra's daily water use at iconwater.com.au



Meet your local Walk-in Centre nurse



When Gungahlin Walk-in Centre nurse Amar Sharma heard about the introduction of Canberra's Walk-in Centres, he decided to study to become a Nurse Practitioner.

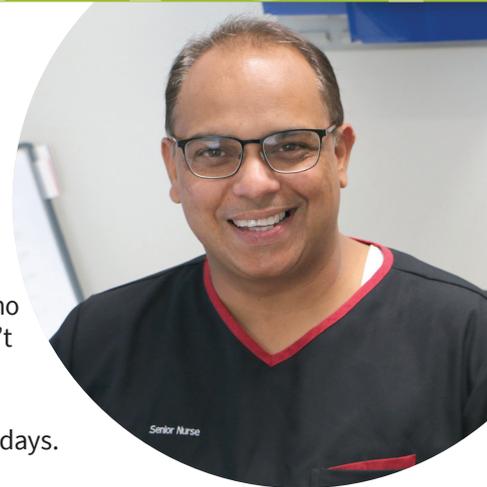
"It's satisfying to help Canberrans, particularly those new to Canberra or Australia, navigate our health care system and improve their health literacy," Amar said.

"Walk-in Centres are unique – and they're such a rewarding place to work. They provide a great

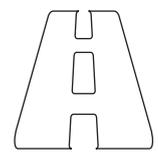
result for people with minor injury or illness who can't see their GP and whose conditions don't require an emergency department visit."

The Gungahlin Walk-in Centre is open from 7.30 am to 10 pm daily, including public holidays.

→ More at act.gov.au/our-canberra



Road resurfacing keeps Gungahlin moving



Gungahlin's main roads and suburban streets will be resurfaced over the coming months.

Sections of Gungahlin Drive and Well Station Drive are among the major roads to be resurfaced.

Canberra's annual road resurfacing program covers 21 suburbs this

financial year, and will make our roads safer for everybody.

→ A full list of ACT roads to be resurfaced is available at tccs.act.gov.au

More trees for Gungahlin

Have you noticed a bare space in your street or a park you regularly visit where a tree could be planted?

→ Visit yoursay.act.gov.au to pinpoint your location on a map.

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Let Transport Canberra

do the late
night driving



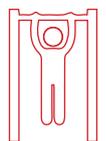
Sit back and relax this festive season and let us do the driving.

Transport Canberra offers late night services and rapid services between the major town centres on our seven-day network. From Gungahlin, light rail provides easy access into the city and the Rapid 8 will take you direct to

Belconnen town centre. Both services run late into the evenings. You can also connect with light rail and buses with the same easy-to-use MyWay card.

→ For more information visit transport.act.gov.au

Make a holiday visit to your local school playground



Gungahlin's public schools are at the centre of community life during the school year, but did you know that our playgrounds are still open for business during school holidays?

Schools like Margaret Hendry School at Taylor offer lots of space to run around and play.

→ For information on recently upgraded playgrounds, visit act.gov.au/our-canberra



Celebrate Christmas in the city

See Canberra's CBD come alive with the festive spirit on Friday 6 December to celebrate Christmas.

The night will provide the first opportunity to see the city's new Christmas tree, and there will be plenty of free family fun in a traditional Christmas village in Garema Place. Visit a log cabin for cookie decorating, bauble making and Santa snow cones or take a selfie with Santa – while it 'snows' around you!

→ More at act.gov.au/cityrenewal



Have a safe and happy CBR holiday

Thanks to ACT emergency and policing crews, health staff and operational teams who will work throughout the holiday season to keep us safe.

Follow our tips to stay safe and healthy this summer.

→ More at act.gov.au/our-canberra

Public transport timetables, waste collection schedules and opening hours for Libraries ACT sites and Access Canberra shopfronts will change during the holiday period.

→ Details at act.gov.au/our-canberra

A cracker way to see in the New Year

Say goodbye to 2019, celebrate the year that was and ring in the New Year with music, food and fireworks in Civic Square.

With something for everyone, New Year's Eve in the City will feature family entertainment, pop-up performers and a variety of local food offerings. World-class fireworks displays will light up Canberra skies in the city at 9pm and midnight at this alcohol-free and glass-free event.

→ More at events.act.gov.au



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