

Canberra Hospital Expansion Project Update

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New building soon to be revealed

Canberra Hospital's new Critical Services Building will soon be revealed as scaffolding is progressively removed, unveiling the façade.

Also being removed soon are Lightning McCrane and Cranosaurus, the two tower cranes that have been onsite since

March 2022. These cranes were named by Garran Primary students and have almost finished their important work on the project.

In the coming months commissioning will get underway and power will be connected. This ensures all systems and equipment are working and ready for use when the new building opens.

More than 5km of high voltage electrical cable has been laid to power up this fully electric hospital building.

Look out for the new Canberra Hospital sky signage soon to be installed on the new building in coming months.





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Better features at emergency entrance

Your new Canberra Hospital Emergency Department entrance will have improved features to enhance the safety and efficiency for patient and visitor pick up and drop-off.

The area's new key features include:



**Non-slip
feature floor
pavers**



**Accessible
parking spaces**



**Dedicated pick
up and drop off**



Shelter



Seating areas



Landscaping

When the new building opens, those accessing the hospital using public transport will use a new Hospital Road bus stop relocated at the western entry for added convenience.

The ambulance bay has also been relocated off Palmer Street to ensure smooth ambulance traffic flow and minimal disruptions.

New hospitals and health centres key to health infrastructure plan

On Friday, 4th of July 2023, a health update of the ACT Government's Infrastructure Plan was launched at the Canberra Hospital Expansion construction site.

The plan continues to invest in health infrastructure to meet the growing healthcare needs of our community. The update outlines the two areas of focus in new hospital infrastructure and community health, reflecting the Government's commitment to improving acute services infrastructure and delivering more health services in the community.

The Government will continue to invest in infrastructure across the Canberra Hospital campus through the implementation of the Canberra Hospital Masterplan. The plan provides a long-term framework to guide the redevelopment of the campus over the next 20 years. At the centre of the Masterplan is the new Canberra Hospital Critical Services Building, opening next year. The Critical Services Building will provide Canberrans with access to a bigger emergency department, more treatment spaces and more operating theatres.

Funding has also been provided in the 2023 Budget to progress detailed design of the new northside hospital, which will ultimately see an investment of more than \$1 billion.

Additional investments in community health services and primary care will help to keep Canberrans healthy and out of hospital. This includes the roll out four new Health Centres to

deliver community-based services in South Tuggeranong, North Gungahlin, the Inner South and West Belconnen. These Health Centres will provide integrated multi-disciplinary care with a focus on preventive care and advice, early intervention, and the management of chronic illness. Through the 2023 Budget, the Government has also committed funding to design and construct the South Tuggeranong Health Centre and to begin planning and design work for North Gungahlin and the Inner South.

Other projects identified in the plan include:

- > Expanding and upgrading endoscopy suites at the Canberra Hospital to help meet patient demand.
- > A fit-for-purpose Acute Palliative Care Ward at Canberra Hospital. Early planning is already underway with construction anticipated to begin late 2024.
- > The Watson Health Precinct – a new precinct to support youth mental health and alcohol and other drug services as well as a residential rehabilitation service for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander adults.
- > A strategic review of community health assets across the ACT to develop a long-term plan for the upgrade, renewal and construction of these facilities.

To view the updated Infrastructure plan, including the health sector updates, visit www.builtforcbr.act.gov.au.

5-Star Green Star all electric

The new Critical Services Building is set to achieve a 5-Star Green Star rating, showcasing Canberra as a leader in designing and building environmentally sustainable infrastructure.

This is the first major hospital building in Australia to run entirely on electricity. The change from using gas will reduce

carbon emissions by 1,886 tonnes every year – the equivalent of taking 760 cars off Canberra roads.

The ACT Government's plan to deliver a 5-Star Green Star hospital supports the territory's Climate Change strategy and goal of having a zero emissions health sector by 2040.

For more information visit **Australia's first all-electric hospital building** or scan the QR code.



Construction facts and figures


Over **500**  local contractors

 **155,000** bricks

Adding the equivalent of **251** **tennis courts** of floor space to the hospital




 **556** windows

 **21,400 m³** of concrete

199 **steps** from ground floor to **helipad** 

 Over **1,179,755** work hours

5 km  of high-voltage cable to power the all-electric new **Critical Services Building**



Clinical Room at the Prototype Shed.

New hospital rooms led by consumer feedback

Extensive consultations with healthcare professionals and consumers have played a vital role in how new hospital rooms are designed and will be fitted out.

Some of the features include dimmable lighting, caregiver fold-out beds, large windows to increase natural light and easy to access power outlets, allowing patients to charge personal devices.

All features are tested by consultation groups at the Prototype Shed before being installed in the main building.

Nurse Station at the Prototype Shed.



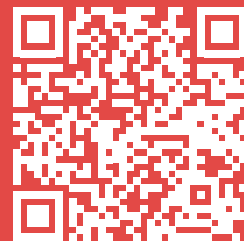
A jumpstart for future careers in construction

A group of Canberra high school students have had a glimpse into a career in construction, engineering and trades during a visit to the Canberra Hospital Expansion Project site.

Led by Multiplex, the Jumpstart program aims to attract, develop and retain a workforce that reflects Canberra's diverse community.

Anyone interested in the program should contact Multiplex via info@multiplex.global

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