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FIRST LOOK AT \$1 BILLION NEPEAN HOSPITAL

Western Sydney patients got a chance to see the new 14-storey Nepean Hospital clinical services tower, the centerpiece of Stage 1 of the \$1 billion redevelopment.

Member for Penrith Stuart Ayres and Member for Mulgoa Tanya Davies, unveiled the new patient-centred design set to transform patient care.

Mr Ayres said the redevelopment will see a major expansion and upgrade of hospital and community-based health services for Nepean and surrounding communities.

"Stage 1 will include a new and expanded emergency department, an almost doubling of birthing suites and a massive expansion of cancer services," Mr Ayres said.

Mrs Davies said the expansion of the cancer centre and construction of the multistorey car park, which will add 500 extra car spaces, is already underway.

"Cancer patients will benefit from a doubling in chemotherapy chairs from 15 to 30, bringing treatment closer to home for some of our most vulnerable patients," Mrs Davies said.

Mr Hazzard said the NSW Liberals & Nationals Government is delivering world-class health care facilities right across NSW as part of a record \$8 billion health infrastructure boom over the next four years.

"This significant \$1 billion Nepean Hospital redevelopment is one of the largest investments in health infrastructure in the state and will transform care for local patients," Mr Hazzard said.

It follows the recent \$2.4 million revamp of Nepean Hospital's emergency department and a \$139 million expansion completed in February 2014.

Stage 1 of the Nepean Redevelopment includes:

- A new clinical services tower
- A new and expanded Emergency Department
- More than 12 new operating theatres
- 18 birthing suites in new accommodation, an increase of 10
- A new Neonatal Intensive Care Unit

- More than 200 overnight beds in new accommodation
- A new helipad
- New community health services
- Expansion of cancer services (a doubling of chemotherapy chairs to 30)
- A new \$26 million multi-storey car park that will add an additional 500 car spaces to the campus.

Along with the work underway here at Nepean, key projects underway in Western Sydney include:

- The \$700 million redevelopment of Blacktown and Mount Druitt Hospitals
- Almost \$1 billion Westmead Hospital precinct redevelopment, which includes The Children's Hospital.
- \$632 million Campbelltown Hospital redevelopment
- \$740 million Liverpool health, research and education precinct
- \$91.5 million NSW Forensic Pathology and Coroner's Court at Lidcombe.

Construction of the new hospital tower will start in early 2019 and is scheduled for completion in 2021.

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