

## Cancer Centre tops out!

Construction on the \$35 million Western Cancer Centre at Dubbo has reached its highest point.

To mark the occasion, Member for Dubbo, Dugald Saunders and Federal Member for Parkes, Mark Coultou joined the project team and hospital staff on Friday 9 October for a topping-out ceremony on the rooftop of the new building.

The topping-out ceremony is an old building tradition that celebrates the highest point of construction by placing a tree at the top of the structure.

This exciting milestone follows the first concrete pour for the new bunker in June. Since then, construction has been powering ahead with the concrete structure now complete.

The new cancer centre will provide patients living in regional and remote areas of NSW with improved access to life-saving cancer diagnostic and treatment services much closer to home.

The Centre will include 16 chemotherapy spaces, a



*Mr Coultou places the tree on the highest point of construction during the topping out ceremony.*

bunker for radiation treatment and a PET CT scanner for cancer diagnostics. It will also include a wellness space to provide support and well-being services to patients and their families.

Following the topping out ceremony, work is now focused on formwork and the internal fit-out such as wall, floors and ceiling and the installation of electrical, gas and water services.

The centre is on track for completion in mid-2021.

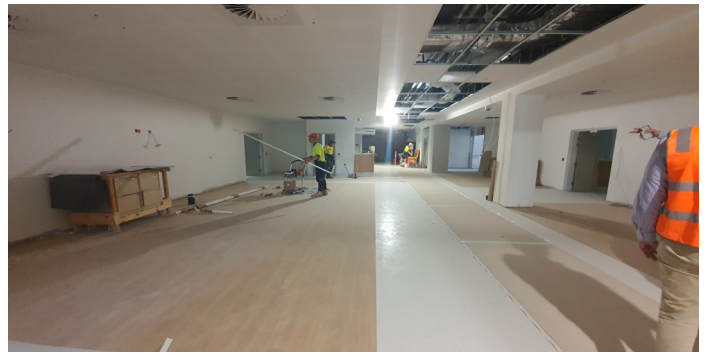


*Top picture: Hospital, LHD and community representatives joined Dugald Saunders and Mark Coultou on top of the new Western Cancer Centre to celebrate the topping out ceremony.*

## Macquarie Building taking shape

Construction on the remaining sections of the new Macquarie building is progressing well with the internal fit-out of the Critical Care and Ambulatory Care floors well underway. The new main hospital entry is also taking shape with the double storey glass façade nearly complete.

In parallel with construction, the remaining units set to move in to the new building have been working closely with the project team to ensure a smooth transition into their new facilities next year. The move is being carefully phased to ensure minimal disruption to patient services. Check out the latest construction pictures from the Macquarie Building below.



### Redevelopment Stages 3 and 4 & Cancer Centre timeline

