

New Emergency and Medical Departments open

In March, the Emergency and Medical Imaging Departments were the first services to successfully move into the new three-storey hospital building as part of Stage 4 works.

Their move allows for further demolition and construction to complete the building in 2021.

The project team and department staff planned the move meticulously to ensure a smooth transition from the old into the new.

It also follows a recent preview tour with Local Member Dugald Saunders including a smoking ceremony to cleanse the areas on the 11th of March.

The new departments are bigger and brighter, and feature the latest equipment and technology to meet the needs of the community now, and into the future.



Medical Imaging, Chief Radiographer, Diane Townsend shows Local Member Dugald Saunders around their new department.

Hospital staff have also implemented new innovative models of care to compliment their new facilities and to improve the patient experience.

There is a final section of the Emergency Department that will open in 2021 when the rest of the building is complete.

Also in the new building will be a critical care floor including of a Cardiac Catheterisation Laboratory, an Ambulatory Care Unit and a welcoming, open and bright front of house for Dubbo Health Service.

For a video tour of the new facilities [click here.](#)



The first patient is transferred into the new Emergency Department.



One of four new acute bays in the Emergency Department

DUBBO HOSPITAL REDEVELOPMENT—STAGE 4



Project In Pictures—April 2020

Western Cancer Centre progress update

Demolition of the old Renal Unit and Operating Theatres building to make way for the cancer centre is underway and scheduled for completion in the coming weeks. It involves internal stripping of walls and ceilings as well as the careful removal of the external brickwork. Once the old building is cleared, construction starts on the \$35 million Cancer Centre which will feature radiation oncology and chemotherapy treatment services as well as a PET CT Scanner for diagnostics.



World-class art on display at Dubbo Hospital

In March, world-renowned Australian public artist, Fintan Magee painted two stunning murals on the eastern-facing façade of the hospital as part of the redevelopment's art program. The concept of his work is to celebrate the strength and bonds of our local Wiradjuri community, as well as showcase the native plants and trees that have been used as bush medicine by the Wiradjuri peoples for thousands of years.

Fintan was also able to mentor local emerging artist, Jamal Wells on the project, giving him a unique experience working on the two large-scale paintings.

