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MEMBER FOR DUBBO ELECTORATE

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HARD HATS BACK ON AT DUBBO HOSPITAL

Member for Dubbo Troy Grant visited staff at Dubbo Hospital today to celebrate the start of construction for next phase of Dubbo Hospital's \$150 million redevelopment.

Construction company, Hansen Yuncken, who were awarded the tender to commence the first phase of construction in January this year, are currently establishing the site which includes setting up site sheds and shade cloth around the construction zone perimeters. Work has also commenced on the installation of internal services.

The first phase of construction includes an additional floor on the clinical services building for a contemporary and expanded inpatient unit. It also includes the refurbishment of the old maternity building for the Medical Records Department and education facilities.

A carefully staged approach is being taken to deliver the next phase of Dubbo Hospital's transformation to ensure minimal disruption to patient services during the construction process.

Dubbo Hospital Redevelopment Stages 3 and 4, which is funded by the NSW Government, will also include:

- A new emergency department and short stay unit
- A new medical imaging unit
- A new inpatient unit
- A new critical care floor comprising of:
 - Coronary care/stroke unit
 - Intensive care unit
 - Cardiac catheter laboratory
- A new renal dialysis unit (originally part of Stages 1 and 2 works)
- A new ambulatory care unit
- An expansion to oncology (currently being reviewed as part of the services plan for the Dubbo Integrated Cancer Centre)



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- A new front of house entry and drop off zone
- An upgrade of women's and children's community health; and
- Additional parking on campus.

Project user groups are also underway to progress the detailed design of each room and clinical space, including colours, fixtures and furnishings for the remaining services included in the redevelopment.

The redevelopment team recently conducted a successful consultation roadshow to Nyngan, Bourke, Walgett and Coonamble and Dubbo as well as an online survey to collect valuable input from local community members to help inform the detailed design process.

Areas that the community were able to provide feedback on included:

- The front of house / main entrance and foyer area
- The drop off zone at the main entrance
- Outdoor courtyard spaces
- Quiet rooms and public waiting areas

It was also an opportunity for the redevelopment team to find out what types of artwork, landscaping and signage could help to improve the patient and visitor experience and make everyone feel welcome.

Dubbo Hospital Redevelopment Stages 3 and 4 will provide contemporary, integrated health services that will meet the communities' needs now and well into the future.

It will also complement the NSW Government's \$91.3 million Dubbo Hospital Redevelopment Stages 1 and 2, which was completed in late 2015. Stages 1 and 2 included the construction of the first two floors of the clinical services building, featuring a new maternity unit, day surgery unit and six digital operating theatres.

Construction on the second floor of the clinical services building is scheduled to be complete in late 2017.