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A NEW ERA IN HEALTHCARE FOR DUBBO

Stages three and four of the highly anticipated Dubbo Hospital have been officially opened today - marking a new era in healthcare for communities in Western NSW.

The milestone coincides with the opening of the Western Cancer Centre, with the investments setting a new benchmark for regional health in NSW.

Minister for Regional Health Bronnie Taylor said the new Clinical Services Building would support the health needs of communities out west for decades to come.

“Alongside the Western Cancer Centre, we’re very excited to officially open the next stage of the \$150 million expansion and upgrade to Dubbo Hospital,” Ms Taylor said.

“The new Macquarie Building includes an Emergency Department, Ambulatory Care Centre, Critical Care Floor, as well as a new front of house for the hospital.

“Construction of the hospital’s new clinical building was completed alongside the Western Cancer Centre with both buildings opening to patients last year.

“The new building also features vibrant murals, suspended artworks and paintings designed to create a welcoming space and provide a better experience for patients, staff and visitors at the hospital.”

Minister for Western NSW and Member for Dubbo Dugald Saunders said the opening of these new facilities has ensured more jobs and training opportunities for hospital staff.

“We’ve made sure our valued health staff have the very best facilities and the technology they need to continue to provide the highest quality care for patients,” Mr Saunders said.

“The new and expanded services offered at the hospital have enabled more staff recruitment and provided more training opportunities for existing staff, which benefits everyone and provides a boost to the local economy.”

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Integrated Artwork

Dubbo Hospital Redevelopment also features vibrant and welcoming artwork to promote well-being for patients and families during their visits.

It includes:

- External wall murals of local Aboriginal bush foods and family connections by renowned public artist Fintan Magee
- Internal suspended artwork from Jade Oakley in collaboration with Aunty Diane McNaboe depicting “emu features in the stars”.
- Framed photographic portraits by Asher Milgate of “friendly faces” from Dubbo and Western NSW communities.
- Interior wall paintings of the local waterways in Western NSW by artist, Greg Carosi.