

### **Dominic Perrottet**

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#### \$790 MILLION LIVERPOOL HOSPITAL TRANSFORMATION BEGINS

South-western Sydney communities can look forward to accessing more first class health services close to home, with construction beginning on a six-storey hospital tower as part of the \$790 million Liverpool Health and Academic Precinct.

Premier Dominic Perrottet said the new hospital would deliver enhanced health facilities and will include an integrated cancer centre, a larger emergency department, intensive care unit and more theatres.

"The \$790 million health and academic precinct the NSW Government is building here at Liverpool is one of the largest hospital redevelopments across the state – and will transform healthcare services in this rapidly growing part of Sydney," Mr Perrottet said.

"We have the best health system in the nation and we are ensuring that no matter where you live in our State you have access to the best healthcare facilities."

The new hospital will also include a larger neonatal intensive care unit and six new inpatient units including paediatric, maternity and women's health services — all designed to cater to the area's growing population. A new multi-storey car park, which is nearing completion, will also provide an additional 500 spaces across the campus.

Minister for Health Brad Hazzard and Member for Holsworthy Melanie Gibbons today turned the sod on the site of the new hospital tower and toured the project's 'Buraga Gul' skilling and employment hub which will help drive education and jobs throughout construction and beyond.

Mr Hazzard said the new precinct in the heart of Liverpool would be an attractive drawcard for clinicians, specialists, researchers and educators locally and worldwide, which would boost the community and deliver better long term health outcomes.

"The NSW Government is investing an unprecedented \$790 million into south-western Sydney to meet the community's healthcare needs and also provide employment opportunities for our future generations of nurses, doctors, researchers and educators," Mr Hazzard said.

Project builder Lendlease has opened a new skilling and employment hub next to the hospital construction site to create more education and employment opportunities for south-western Sydney communities and boost the local workforce.

Minister for Skills and Training Alister Henskens said the establishment of the skills and employment hub is one of the key components of the project.

"Working in partnership with NSW Health, TAFE NSW and Liverpool City Council, the

hub will offer construction pre-employment programs and Aboriginal employment initiatives to support people of all ages to acquire new skills for construction and health-related roles." Mr Henskens said.

Ms Gibbons said the NSW Government is catering to the needs of the local community now and into the future, with close to 1.3 million people expected to call south-western Sydney home by 2031.

"This significant redevelopment will ensure both the long-term health and economic wellbeing of local communities here in south-western Sydney," Ms Gibbons said.

"With around 850 construction jobs to be supported throughout the redevelopment and the potential for thousands more jobs over the project's life, the on-site skills and employment hub will help attract, retain and upskill local workers in yet another fantastic win for our community."

The new precinct forms part of the NSW Government's record \$10.8 billion investment in health infrastructure over four years to 2024-2025.

Since 2011, the NSW Government has delivered more than 170 hospitals and health facilities across the state, with more than 110 currently underway.

Learn more about the \$790 million redevelopment of Liverpool Hospital at www.lhap.health.nsw.gov.au

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