

# RPA HOSPITAL REDEVELOPMENT

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## Clinical information

The NSW Government has committed \$940 million to the redevelopment of the Royal Prince Alfred (RPA) Hospital to deliver a new hospital building and refurbishment of existing spaces. The RPA Hospital redevelopment will enhance access to vital health services. It includes construction of a new 15-storey clinical services building, an expanded Emergency Department and Intensive Care Unit, more inpatient beds, as well as medical imaging, operating theatres and neonatal areas.

#### The vision:

Designing and delivering health facilities is a great privilege and a substantial responsibility. These are places of extraordinary skill, innovation, education and development. They must accommodate diverse patient and visitor experiences, from the life-changing to the everyday.

The RPA Hospital redevelopment is dedicated to ensuring RPA Hospital can continue to be a place that welcomes people from all walks of life, all cultural backgrounds, and all ages and stages of health. It will better support everyone in navigating complex and challenging health experiences.

Good design is fundamental to delivering effective, engaging and sustainable health facilities that provide outstanding care, create supportive working environments and meet their potential as public places that shape our suburbs, towns, cities and regions. Health facilities and precincts are the places where we heal ourselves and where we are cared for by others.

#### The project:

A new 15-storey tower will be the centrepiece of what is the most significant redevelopment in the hospital's 140-year history. This once-in-a-generation project will expand the cutting-edge healthcare facilities and services on the campus.

RPA is one of Australia's leading hospitals, renowned for its excellence in providing innovative health care and education for the 740,000 people who live in the Local Health District, and the more than 1 million people who work or transit daily in the vicinity of the campus, including patients, visitors and students.

The redevelopment will support millions of health workers, patients and their families in the years ahead. The bright, contemporary design of the new tower will seamlessly connect to the existing hospital campus and includes a new northern entry from Johns Hopkins Drive that will improve access for the community to the campus.

#### The scope:

The \$940 million investment in the RPA Hospital redevelopment will deliver an enhanced and expanded Emergency Department, Intensive Care Unit and Neonatal Care. There will be improved medical imaging services, operating theatres, adult and paediatric inpatient accommodation and improved public domain with a new northern arrival, internal courtyard and services including roads, wayfinding, landscaping and information and communications technology infrastructure.

The RPA Hospital redevelopment is expected to be completed in 2028 and will include:



## **Expanded and enhanced Emergency Department**

The expanded space will double the number of treatment spaces and continue to meet the needs of the growing community.



## Increased interventional and imaging services

Additional imaging modalities and double the amount of recovery spaces will support the care given in these zones, including molecular imaging expansion.



### **Expanded and enhanced Intensive Care Units**

With increased bed capacity and 100 per cent single patient room configuration, the unit will create a healing environment for its patients.



### Expanded neonatology intensive care services

The redevelopment will include the complete relocation of Neonatology Intensive Care Unit (NICU), with the provision of additional cots and a contemporary environment that will enable patient and family-centred care.



#### State-of-the-art operating theatres

New state-of-the-art operating theatres will include hybrid theatres to facilitate the complex surgeries performed at RPA and double the number of recovery spaces for post-operative patients.



## Improved roads, signage and landscaping throughout the hospital

Enhancements to the wayfinding around the campus will provide improved support for patients, carers and visitors, along with improved signage and access to green space.



## Expanded and improved adult and paediatric inpatient ward accommodation

There will be additional overnight inpatient beds, including a new contemporary environment for postnatal, paediatric and antenatal care.

The number of additional overnight inpatient beds will be equal to two additional wards, along with additional Surgical Short Stay beds.



## New northern arrival and open garden courtyard

A reconfigured northern arrival will provide a refurbished entrance to the hospital and access to the new east tower.

The enhanced open garden courtyard will provide patients, staff, and visitors access to natural light, ventilation and a space for respite.



"It's the most significant redevelopment for the hospital in its 140 years and will hopefully make a real difference to our ability to continue to provide a high standard of patient care that is integrated with clinical research and teaching.

"The project provides us an opportunity to make not only our clinical spaces but all our nonclinical spaces and entry points more accessible, modern and up to contemporary standards. This will complement the clinical care provided in the hospital and I think that's a core part of what the project is trying to achieve to better connect the campus as a whole."

Kiel Harvey, RPA General Manager

#### How can I contact the project team?

If you have any questions or would like more information please contact our project team at the details below.