



Concept designs released for RPA Redevelopment

The designs for the NSW Government's \$750 million investment in the new RPA Hospital Redevelopment have been unveiled.

These designs showcase our new hospital building and surrounding improved amenities, and are the result of our first design competition.

Hosted by Health Infrastructure and Sydney Local Health District in partnership with the Government Architect NSW, the design competition saw three leading architects invited to put their best foot forward resulting in new state-of-the-art designs for the RPA campus.

Please see our fact sheet on Design Excellence

Importantly, we also consulted with clinicians, staff, patients, consumers and the local community, ensuring

that the redevelopment meets the healthcare needs of the rapidly growing area both now and in the years to come.

The designs will now be taken on a roadshow via a series of presentations and pop-up stalls.

Further consultation with staff, clinicians and the community will take place over the coming months, as the team starts to shape the more detailed designs for the new building.

The detailed designs will be incorporated into the State Significant Development Application (SSDA), to be submitted late this year, seeking approval for the main construction works for the project.

Patients at the centre

Keeping the needs of our patients - both current and future - at the core is the key focus of our Project User Groups (PUG). A PUG is comprised of clinical and non-clinical staff, project representatives, and representatives such as consumers.

Since late 2021, the project has held more than 100 PUG workshops across multiple departments within RPA Hospital. Our PUGs develop the designs of all future hospital spaces, which involves extensive consultation between staff, consumers, community groups, architects and the project team. There are around 40 hospital teams involved, and each meets regularly to help ensure that our future services and spaces deliver the highest quality care for both patients and staff.

They will continue to be held throughout the year to shape the design of this significant redevelopment.



Meet Ryan Downey a Project User Group Member for RPA Redevelopment

Name: Ryan Downey, Director of Anaesthetic Facilities and Staff Specialist Anaesthetist

User group experience: Detailed planning down to room orientation and access to alarms, monitoring and medical gases is already being planned with some significant innovations and improvements for the hospital and for the patient experience.

Best thing about being involved: Being able to actively contribute to the various systems that are being deployed within the redevelopment from the early planning stages through to the final product.

Your hope for the RPA Redevelopment: It's an excellent chance for RPA to be at the cutting edge in the utilisation of new medical technologies. I'm really excited about the possibilities for wearable medical monitoring devices with smart alarms.

This will enable exciting innovations such as cardiac surgical ERAS and more support for our most frail patients.

This sort of technology will transform the way we look after patients in the hospital and I know the redevelopment is looking to innovate, so exciting times ahead!



What services will be included in the redevelopment?

Stage 1 of the RPA Redevelopment will include expanded and enhanced:

- Emergency Department
- Intensive Care Unit
- Medical imaging services
- Operating theatres
- Maternity, birthing and neonatal services
- Adult inpatient accommodation / beds
- Associated clinical and non-clinical support services capacity.



State Significant Development Application (SSDA)

All development applications for significant projects in NSW have to go through a comprehensive assessment process undertaken by the Department of Planning and Environment. This process is called a State Significant Development Application (SSDA).

There are many steps in the SSDA planning process, including opportunities for you to have your say on the hospital plans.

The first step in the process is a request for the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs), which identifies what must go in the environmental impact statement.

You can review the SEARs and other project documentation as it becomes available on the Major Projects website of the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment at: majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au.

Want to find out more?

You can find out more about the redevelopment at: www.rparedevelopment.health.nsw.gov.au.

You are also invited to send any feedback, suggestions or comments you would like to raise with the redevelopment team via the contact form on our website or by emailing: rparedevelopment@health.nsw.gov.au.

See our Concept Design Pop up information flyer for how you can get involved and attend one of our sessions. [Concept Design flyer info](#)

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.

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