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TENDER AWARDED FOR LOCKHART MPS

The Health Minister, Jillian Skinner, and the Member for Wagga Wagga, Daryl Maguire, today announced the successful tenderer for the \$8 million redevelopment of the Lockhart Multi Purpose Service.

Joss Constructions has been awarded the contract for works on the MPS, with the start-up meeting taking place on-site today.

“It’s great to be in Lockhart today to mark another milestone for this Multi Purpose Service,” Mrs Skinner said.

“This facility will provide the Lockhart community with a fully integrated one-stop-shop where residents can access a wide range of health services in the one location.

“The redevelopment will take place in stages to allow continuation of health services throughout construction and work is expected to be completed in October next year.”

Mr Maguire said the community will soon picture progress on the redevelopment, with work soon to commence on-site.

“The redevelopment of this MPS will see great benefits for patients and their families,” Mr Maguire said.

“I understand that contracts have also been exchanged for the purchase of an adjacent house for staff accommodation. This is wonderful news for the hardworking clinicians at this facility.”

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Access to the Emergency Department and Community Health will be via the front door of the hospital during construction.

Community Health staff and services will be relocated into the main hospital building.

The project features:

- en-suite facilities for all bedrooms;
- an additional five residential aged-care beds (from 10 to 15);
- upgrades to acute services including the emergency department;

- physiotherapy, community nursing, child and family nursing and consultation;
- rooms for both private and visiting health services;
- dedicated activities and dining rooms;
- home-like interiors internally and external gardens and walking paths;
- improved reception and staff station areas.