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TENDER AWARDED FOR NEW CLINICAL SERVICES BUILDING AT BLACKTOWN MT DRUITT HOSPITAL

The NSW Government has awarded the tender for the new clinical services building at Blacktown Mt Druitt Hospital, Blacktown Campus, which will be the centrepiece of the \$324 million Blacktown Mt Druitt Hospital (BMDH) expansion project, Health Minister Jillian Skinner said today.

The contract has been awarded to Laing O'Rourke, which is expected to complete construction in 2015.

"The new five-storey clinical services building at Blacktown Mt Druitt Hospital will include comprehensive care centres for cancer, cardiac, respiratory and aged care services in purpose-built facilities," Mrs Skinner said.

The clinical services building will connect into the existing Blacktown Mt Druitt Hospital via upper level links. The wards will feature single and two-bed rooms with en-suites. The open design will ensure staff can easily 'see and be seen'.

The new cardiac centre will consolidate coronary care and cardiac care services from the two campuses, providing easy access to diagnostic and related clinical services such as intensive care, emergency, respiratory and diabetes. A cardiac gym will promote recovery and lifestyle education.

The new clinical services building at Blacktown Mt Druitt Hospital is part of the \$324 million expansion of Blacktown Mt Druitt Hospital.

The BMDH expansion is being funded by the NSW Government (\$296 million), with \$28 million from the Commonwealth to create sub-acute capacity for mental health and rehabilitation services.

"The Blacktown Mt Druitt Hospital expansion project is a shining example of the NSW Government's commitment to delivering world-class services to meet the growing needs of the people of western Sydney," Mrs Skinner said.

As well as the clinical services building, the Blacktown Mt Druitt, Blacktown Campus Hospital project will deliver:

- a new multi-storey car park for 600 cars
- a new sub-acute mental health facility to provide step-down care for adults preparing to return to the community

The Mt Druitt Hospital project will deliver:

- extra emergency department capacity with the establishment of a new urgent care centre
- eight extra dental chairs in an expanded dental facility
- greater rehabilitation services.

Local MPs Bart Bassett (Londonderry), Kevin Conolly (Riverstone) and Tanya Davies (Mulgoa) welcomed the green light for construction of the new clinical services building.

“It is exciting to see this project taking shape. Blacktown Mt Druitt Hospital will be an outstanding facility, which will provide for the future needs of our fast growing community,” Mr Bassett said.

“This expansion project will allow services to be delivered more effectively across both the Blacktown and Mt Druitt campuses, ensuring the highest quality of patient care,” Mr Conolly said.

“The expansion of Blacktown Mt Druitt Hospital demonstrates - yet again - the NSW Government’s commitment to the people of western Sydney,” Ms Davies said.

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