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CAR PARK BUILDING BOOM AT NSW HOSPITALS

The NSW Government has invested more than \$250 million to construct over 10,000 car park spaces at the state's public hospitals since 2011, Health Minister Jillian Skinner announced today.

Mrs Skinner was joined by Parramatta MP Geoff Lee at Westmead Hospital at the site where construction of a six-storey, multi-deck car park will soon begin.

"Surveys of patients, staff and visitors deliver an overwhelming message about the need for modern, safe and accessible car parking at our hospitals," Mrs Skinner said.

"While the core business of hospitals is health care, the provision of car parking is also vitally important to the wellbeing of those who use our facilities and work in them, which is why we embarked on an ambitious program of car park construction when we came to Government in 2011.

"Old car parks are giving way to state-of-the-art structures which incorporate security features such as improved lighting and CCTV," she said.

The car park boom includes current projects:

- Westmead Hospital (2200 spaces / \$72 million)
- Lismore Base Hospital (270 spaces / \$9 million)

It also includes new car parks which have been completed since 2011:

- Wollongong Hospital (750 spaces / \$30 million)
- Liverpool Hospital (900 spaces / \$29 million)
- Blacktown Hospital (600 spaces / \$24 million)
- Nepean Hospital (930 spaces / \$20 million)
- Sutherland Hospital (300 spaces / \$9 million)
- Coffs Harbour Hospital (460 spaces / \$8 million)
- Royal North Shore Hospital (600 spaces / \$40 million)

Other hospitals receiving new or upgraded parking include Dubbo, Forbes, Hornsby, Kempsey, Parkes, Port Macquarie, St George, Tamworth and Wagga Wagga, as well as Multi-Purpose Service (MPS) sites across rural NSW.