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CONSTRUCTION BEGINS ON CLINICAL SCHOOL IN SOUTH WESTERN SYDNEY

Construction has begun on a new clinical school in south-western Sydney which will provide advanced training to young medical students and researchers.

Health Minister Jillian Skinner was joined today by Western Sydney University Vice-Chancellor Professor Barney Glover and Wollondilly MP Jai Rowell to turn a sod of earth for the Western Sydney University Macarthur Clinical School.

The \$21 million, four-storey building is being built on the Campbelltown Hospital campus by the NSW Government and Western Sydney University.

“A clinical school is a vital part of a young medical student’s journey, providing the opportunity to acquire and practice the clinical skills they must have to become a highly competent doctor,” Mrs Skinner said.

“This school will complement the \$133.1 million Campbelltown Hospital redevelopment - which we opened earlier this year - and the \$300 million Stage 2 redevelopment, which will deliver a new emergency department and enhanced acute, clinical, mental health and paediatric services.

“It is such an exciting time for Campbelltown Hospital patients and staff - and now for the medical students and young clinicians of south-western Sydney.”

Features of the new clinical school will include:

- 153-seat lecture theatre
- clinical skills teaching facility
- simulation laboratory
- eight clinic/clinical trials rooms
- hospital library
- office space for clinical academic teams
- a Centre for Education and Workforce Development teaching and office facility for medical, nursing and allied health professionals and researchers

The clinical school will be completed by December 2016. It will open in early 2017.