



## First slab pour milestone celebrated

Late March saw the commencement of the ground floor slab, with an initial pour of 120 cubic metres of concrete. This 700 square metre section of slab marks the first stage of what will be a total ground floor slab of a whopping 6335 square metres, creating our new Emergency Department! There's exciting times ahead as we watch the new clinical services building emerge from the ground up.

*Pictured (L-R): Campbelltown Hospital Emergency Department Director, Richard Cracknell; Camden/Campbelltown Hospitals General Manager, Alison Derrett; and Campbelltown Hospital Redevelopment Director, Julia Mrkonja*

## Project update

Thanks to the extensive input of project user group members and key stakeholders, the detailed design process for the project is all but complete, with attention now turning to identifying the fittings, furnitures and equipment required to bring those designs to fruition.

Recent on-site activity has been focused around construction of the new clinical services building, refurbishment works in the existing hospital buildings that will connect to the new build, along with car park upgrades and associated landscaping works across the site.



Increased activity on the main construction site and various locations across campus will see more heavy vehicle movements during coming months. For your safety, please be sure to take care when driving around campus, stay on marked pedestrian pathways and follow signage both outside and inside our buildings.

Thank you for your patience as we build your new hospital.

## - FUN FACT -

**Around 35,000 cubic metres of concrete will be used to complete the new clinical services building, including more than 90 kilometres of steel reinforcement bar!**



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## Art for better health

Art is an important component of the Campbelltown Hospital Redevelopment as it will inform the overall look and feel of the building while providing new opportunities for therapeutic programs for the Macarthur community.

The Campbelltown Hospital Redevelopment team has formed a strategic partnership with Campbelltown Arts Centre to develop arts programs and strategies for the new build and beyond, with a working group established to create new ideas for integration of arts in health, with representation from across the hospital and the community.

One of the artists invited to be part of the program, Erica Seccombe, has found growing evidence through academic empirical studies that incorporating nature into a hospital environment can enhance the healing process. Nature, or the sense of being in contact with nature, can relieve some of the stress and unease that comes with a hospital experience.

Working collaboratively with a range of community and health interest groups and stakeholders, Erica is developing ways to incorporate experiences of nature into our new clinical services building, and recently presented some of her ideas to the project team.

Inspired by the community-created art that resulted from a series of drawing from nature workshops, Erica has developed a selection of line art drawings of medicinal native plants that are found across the region, with a view to these potentially being the foundation for plant-based wayfinding within the new hospital.

We look forward to sharing more information on how the arts and culture program is helping to shape our new hospital as the initiative progresses.



*Imagery like this could be used extensively across each floor, featuring as wall art and directional signage, as well as at reception points and lifts, to help visitors and staff navigate the building.*



## From the archives...

**Check out our Emergency Department waiting area back in 1985!**

Complementing the modern-look waiting room of the future, the new 12-storey clinical services building being delivered as part of the Campbelltown Hospital Redevelopment project will include a brand new emergency department with modern facilities and more treatment spaces.

**We're looking forward to unveiling the 21st century version in 2023.**



*Artist, Erica Seccombe, presents her work to the Arts and Health Steering Committee and Working Group at Campbelltown Arts Centre.  
Photo: Nancy Trieu.*

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