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CAMPBELLTOWN HOSPITAL PATHOLOGY LABORATORY DOUBLES IN SIZE

NSW Health's new pathology laboratory at Campbelltown Hospital has doubled in size and received an equipment boost ensuring the people of south-west Sydney, one of the fastest growing areas in the country, have access to world-class testing facilities now and into the future.

Premier Dominic Perrottet and Minister for Health Brad Hazzard today visited the refurbished NSW Health Pathology laboratory, which became operational in late 2021 as part of the hospital's \$632 million Stage 2 redevelopment.

"Our Government's record health investment is increasing pathology capacity across Sydney's south-west so families have faster access to diagnosis and treatment when they need it most," Mr Perrottet said.

"The new laboratory ensures staff have the state-of-the-art tools and equipment they need to meet the needs of the growing hospital and community, with the capacity to process more than 80,000 diagnostic tests per month.

"NSW Health Pathology's Campbelltown team has played a critical role during the COVID-19 pandemic, processing rapid PCR test results for high-risk hospital inpatients."

Mr Hazzard said in addition to increased processing and analysing capabilities for COVID-19, the expanded laboratory includes a larger blood bank, and biochemistry and specimen reception areas.

"The laboratory operates 24 hours, seven days a week, providing timely and accurate test results across all aspects of healthcare, and is crucial to detecting, diagnosing and treating disease and managing long-term health conditions," Mr Hazzard said.

As part of a record \$10.8 billion investment in health infrastructure across the state to 2024-25, the redevelopment of Campbelltown Hospital will deliver a new clinical services building, set to be operational in mid-2022, along with a range of refurbishment and expansion works within existing buildings.

Completion of the new NSW Health Pathology laboratory complements previously completed enhancements to the hospital's administration hub, Pharmacy Department, Clinical Information Department and Equipment Loan Pool service.

Camden and Campbelltown Hospital's General Manager Grant Isedale said the expansion would also support the opening of the hospital's new clinical services building.

"The team is really excited to be working in the new world-class laboratory. It has provided both additional space and new equipment, enabling staff to professionally and confidently process specimens at a greater rate," Mr Isedale said.

Learn more about the \$632 million Campbelltown Hospital redevelopment project at www.campbelltownredevelopment.health.nsw.gov.au

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