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Inspection walks continue in the Acute Services Building

The process for inspecting and validating each area in the new hospital continues up the building, with Operating Theatres and Recovery on level 1 the latest to commence the three step validation process.

Here is a sneak peek at the completed fitouts for the brand new Operating Theatres and Recovery on level 1.

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Operating Theatre



Hallway into Recovery



Recovery Bays



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PRINCE OF WALES HOSPITAL ACUTE SERVICES BUILDING

Site visits are back at a limited capacity. Virtual tours coming soon!



Pictured: Staff taking time out of their day to tour the ASB

Thank you for completing the Pulse Check Survey. Here's what you told us!

The Change and Commissioning team would like to thank the 400+ Prince of Wales Hospital staff who took part in the recent ASB Pulse Check Survey.



Staff feedback is incredibly valuable as it helps the team understand areas for improvement in the way they communicate with staff about the ASB.

Congratulations to the draw prize winner, Susanna Hill from Occupational Therapy who won 10 free coffees from local café, High St Society!

The comments and questions raised in the survey will be addressed in upcoming newsfeeds and staff forums, through supporting resources and incorporated into the Commissioning Program.

Key themes and topics include:

- ✓ Practical information and advice about preparing for the move
- ✓ Understanding workflow and integration between the ASB and the existing campus for staff and patients
- ✓ Advice and information for services not moving into the ASB

Head to the Intranet for a [high level snapshot](#) of the survey results.

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Staff take a look at the new Haematology & Oncology Inpatient Unit

Prince of Wales Hospital Haematology and Oncology nursing teams were excited to participate in a tour of their new inpatient unit in the ASB on level 4.

During the walk around, staff were able to view the new rooms and features including the patient bedrooms, staff workstations and clean utility rooms.

The tour gave staff an opportunity to get a feel for the new space, and review some of the features in their new area.

The Oncology ward from Parkes 4 East and the Haematology ward from Parkes 10 West are both moving to level 4 North of the new ASB, creating one integrated, multi-disciplinary service and team.



Pictured: Haematology and Oncology nursing team on site

Key features of the new Haematology and Oncology inpatient unit include:

- ✓ HEPA-filtration across the unit for care of vulnerable patient groups with air locks at public and staff entry/exit doors
- ✓ A greater number of single bedrooms
- ✓ 10 positive pressure isolation rooms for care of neutropenic and immunocompromised patients
- ✓ Two negative pressure isolation rooms with antechamber rooms for donning and doffing of PPE
- ✓ Inclusion of special furniture to support carer comfort
- ✓ A high observation area for patients with high falls risk
- ✓ A large patient/carers lounge and quiet room.

While site tours remain limited, the team are working on developing a series of virtual tour videos, which will soon become available on the Intranet.

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What's next on the Commissioning Roadmap?

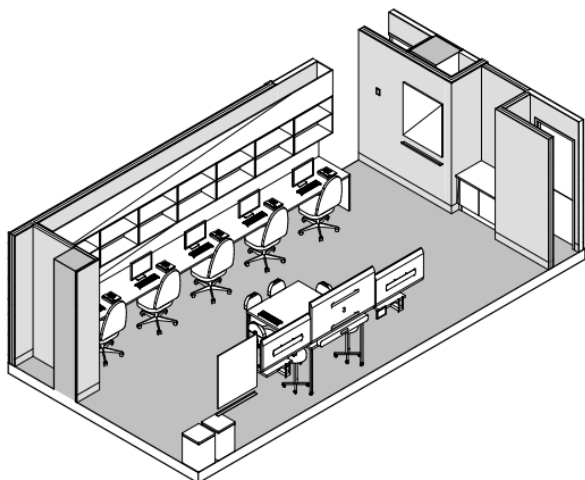
The Change & Commissioning team are working on documenting new models of care, new ways of working and service models for the ASB.

Planning is underway for the education and training needs of the current and new workforce, while committees are being established for the selection of all furniture and equipment for the new hospital.

ASB floorplans now available on the Intranet

[Final floorplans](#) for each level in the ASB have now been uploaded to the Intranet and are on display in large-scale posters within each moving department.

Check them out. Please contact your Manager or the [Change & Commissioning team](#) if you have any questions.



3D VIEW

Pictured below: example of staff workroom featuring three screens and inbuilt computer hardware

ASB Fun Facts

AV in the ASB



A brand new Audio Visual Technology design will be implemented into the Acute Services Building, creating more intuitive and collaborative workspaces for staff.

The new AV Technology will include:

- ✓ Three side by side display screens in every inpatient unit workroom with videoconference capabilities, allowing for simultaneous digital and physical handover with the patient journey board
- ✓ HD display monitors with inbuilt computers
- ✓ Fold down keyboards
- ✓ 24 hour maintenance, support and training (provided by eHealth)

Meeting rooms will have:

- ✓ The ability to split one screen into four different displays
- ✓ The ability to be split in two with screens in both rooms
- ✓ Digital room booking panels.

The redevelopment team will work closely with all staff to provide training on the new AV system in the lead up to Go Live.

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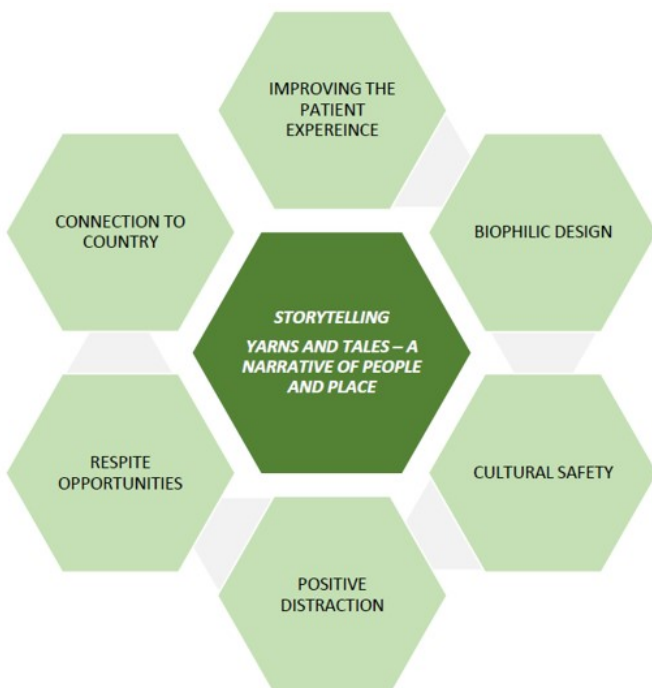
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Arts & Culture in the new Acute Services Building

Extensive consultation with staff and local communities have informed the development of the Randwick Campus Redevelopment Arts and Culture Strategy, which outlines how arts and culture will be embedded in the new ASB. The art in the ASB will enhance respite areas for patient, visitor and staff wellbeing and will tell the stories of the hospital's diverse communities, inspired by patients and the local community.

The overarching theme for the Arts & Culture Strategy is *Storytelling: Yarns and Tales – a narrative of people and place*. This theme will encapsulate ideas of inclusion, community, Aboriginal history, cultural diversity, health and wellness, sustainability and the natural environment.

A focus will be placed on biophilic design, which refers to connecting a space to the natural environment.



As the arts program comes together, the project team would like to provide updates to staff on each arts initiative in the ASB, starting with one of the displays situated at the main entrance on Botany Street; the Buriburi whale sandstone sculpture.

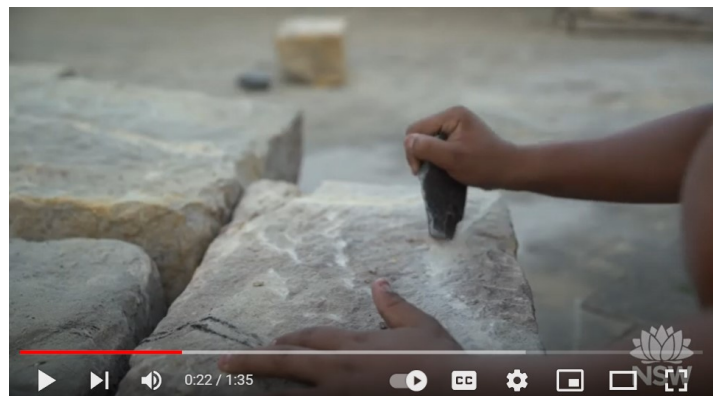
Connection to Country

The Randwick Campus Redevelopment have worked alongside the La Perouse Local Aboriginal Land Council and the Aboriginal Community to recognise their rich continued connection to country through a Stone Carving sculpture, which will be placed at the main entrance of the new hospital and form part of the Acute Services Building Aboriginal Garden.

Back in 2019, young men from the La Perouse Youth Haven carved a large-scale whale on sandstone that had been excavated from the Randwick Campus Redevelopment site.

Carving is a teaching tool for young people to keep their cultural awareness alive and has been used by Aboriginal people to tell stories for thousands of years.

This project in particular focuses on connecting young people with their Aboriginal cultural heritage and ensures these valuable skills can continue to be passed on for generations to come. This significant carving workshop enabled the young men to learn the technique of carving using traditional stones.



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Arts & Culture in the new Acute Services Building (continued)

Once installed, the sandstone carving display will provide an inclusive welcoming space and encourage visitors to reflect and engage with the unique cultural heritage of the site.

What is the Buriburi whale?

The Buriburi whale is a local totem or spirit ancestor for the Aboriginal people of coastal Sydney. The Buriburi whale by artist, Jordan Ardler can be seen on display at the project's construction site.

[Watch this video](#) to see the original sandstone carving workshop.

You can also read about the history of the [Buriburi whale dreaming](#).

The Buriburi whale sandstone sculpture is just one initiative being installed in the Acute Services Building.

The newsfeed will provide further updates on the various arts initiatives each month.



Pictured above: Stone carving workshop with La Perouse Youth Haven.

Pictured across: Buriburi artwork designed by local Aboriginal artist, Jordan Ardler, which is prominently displayed on the project's construction site.

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Randwick Campus Redevelopment Construction Update

Upcoming temporary night works

Commencing in May, protective overhead hoardings, known as gantries, will be installed on Hospital Road and Delivery Drive. This work will take place at night to maintain access to the Hospital Road loading dock during the day and will occur from Monday to Friday for up to four weeks.

Hospital Road north closing to enable construction of the new Children's Hospital

Construction activities are underway on the northern section of Hospital Road, next to the Sydney Children's Hospital, as part of the enabling works for the Sydney Children's Hospital Stage 1 and Children's Comprehensive Cancer Centre redevelopment.

From **Friday 8 April**, Hospital Road north will be permanently closed and vehicle access will be restricted to construction and emergency response vehicles only. Pedestrian access will also be restricted following the road closure.

Down the track, Hospital Road north will provide underground ambulance access to the new Children's Emergency and a ground level pedestrian plaza for staff, patients, students and the community to enjoy.

Clinical link bridge progress

All four bridge modules for the three-storey clinical link bridge have now been installed. Works continue to finish the structure of the new bridge, which will link the new ASB with the campus.



Pictured above: The three-storey clinical link bridge



Pictured left: Artist impression of Hospital Road north following the upgrades

For more information about construction activities taking place over the next month, check out the [monthly construction notices](#) on the Randwick Campus Redevelopment website.

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Free coffee for Royal staff as Stage 2 of refurbishments kick off

Stage 2 of refurbishments at the Royal Hospital for Women about to commence

Construction continues on level 0 at the Royal with Stage 1 nearing completion and Stage 2 set to commence in mid-April and take up to three months to complete.

Here is an update on the Stage 1 works:

- Fitout of the new Roster Office is now complete. Admissions office staff will temporarily move into this new office from April
- Roofing in the new Outpatients waiting room and corridor area is being installed
- New glazing and façade is being installed
- The new Outpatients staff room and amenities are almost complete, with staff able to move in in April.

Staff, patients and visitors will notice the following changes as Stage 2 kicks off, including new hoardings and work zones established ahead of demolition and refurbishment of the:

- Front Admissions desk
- Existing maternity outpatients area
- Executive Unit reception.

More information about these works will become available soon.

Royal Hospital for Women staff receive free coffees on National Doctors' Day

Staff from the Royal Hospital for Women were treated to a complimentary coffee cart as a token of appreciation for their unwavering efforts during the pandemic, and their patience while construction progresses in the hospital.

Pictured: Staff enjoy a free coffee at the Royal Hospital for Women



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Room mockups for future Children's hospitals

A prototype shed at Westmead has been transformed into a three-dimensional mockup space to test planning and design for the redevelopment projects at Randwick and Westmead.

The project architects and designers created a full-size mockup of selected hospital rooms and spaces including the inpatient room, a long stay overnight room, the neonatal intensive care unit and paediatric intensive care unit rooms as well as the oncology inpatient medication room and staff touch down points.

The new hospitals, scheduled to open in 2025, will include hundreds of single inpatient rooms providing patients and families with more privacy. This change introduces a different model of care than current facilities. With this notable change to workflow practice, gaining a sense of size, layout and spatial relationships has been a crucial step in the design process.

More than 60 staff and consumer advisory members have participated so far by providing feedback on areas including placement and reach to service outlets, medical service panel configurations, lines of sight to the patient, furniture and equipment placement and storage options for patients and families.

"With tape to mimic windows, doors and medical equipment, alongside fixed furniture items including beds and desks; future spaces of our new hospitals were brought to life for staff and consumers to provide feedback on," explained Change and Transition Lead **Darcy O'Connor**.

"The process encouraged clinical staff to consider design elements of how the new spaces will translate to clinical workflows and delivery of patient care.

They looked at the design of rooms in the case of medical emergencies, sightlines into and out of bedrooms, and even down to details like the location of furniture and equipment in the room."

Pictured below and over the page: staff and consumers visit the prototype shed



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Room mockups for future Children's hospitals (continued)

Families with lived experience of being a carer for a sick child have also been key to the mockup process. Discussions allowed consumers to share ideas, and for the redevelopment team to listen and respond immediately to questions and feedback.

Consumer advisory member **Lyn Peek** said, "Overall, it was great to visit the mock up single patient room and start to think about how the new room design will really transform the patient experience; the new rooms will offer much more privacy for patients and facilities for parents to overnight, a study nook that will benefit longer term patients, and a big window for views and natural light".

"Standing in actual sized rooms gave me a true insight into the constraints of the rooms, once the essential equipment had been positioned. It also allowed me to see where additional fixed and unfixed equipment could be added, altered or repositioned to allow for better access and storage opportunities."

Lyn added the benefits of face-to-face consultation and hearing a diverse range of views were helpful for the planning of our new hospitals.

"I also really enjoyed time with staff, along with other consumers who have had such a diverse range of experiences within the hospital, so we could all brainstorm our ideas, respond to questions and suggestions, and then problem solve together."

The mock-up process will be ongoing with additional spaces coming to the Randwick campus in coming months.



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Deep dive into Translational Research and why Randwick is at the forefront of medical innovation

Translational Research is a commonly used term in medical research which explains how researchers 'translate' basic science discoveries from the laboratory into clinical application. The purpose of this research is to improve how we prevent and diagnose health conditions, discover new treatments and improve the way we help patients for better outcomes.

Consumer-led, person-centred approaches enhance research quality at the Randwick Health & Innovation Precinct, where Partners collaborate to share resources and develop capabilities, strategies and tools. The aspirations of the Precinct reflect the big health issues of our time and will see researchers engaging in multi-disciplinary population health research that addresses infectious disease, climate change and health, behavioural health, technology and equitable access to health.

A/Professor Chris White recognises the importance of Precinct research partnerships and resourcing to attract high calibre, internationally recognised researchers.

"The difference at this Precinct is our inquiring minds, we are always challenging how we can do better. Research never sleeps and we are committed to pushing the boundaries for better value health care."

"By generating new intellectual property and collaboration with industry it has a large part to play in converting new inventions into life-improving products serving patients' needs," A/Professor White said.

For **Professor Adam Jaffe**, embedding research into clinical care means huge improvements in patient health outcomes.

"Our mission has always been better value health care, and enabling spaces across the Precinct will accelerate innovation and test new treatment models through clinical research, health services research and clinical trial activity.

"Inspired by the people, resources and spaces at the Precinct, our research teams will find answers to the big health questions that will save lives," Professor Jaffe said.

RHIP launches Translational Research Strategy 2021-2024

The Translational Research Strategy 2021 – 2024

focus areas include: mental health and neurosciences, big data, virtual care, biomedical science, next-generation technologies, imaging, fertility, precision medicine, and childhood cancer research translated to excellence in clinical care, placing us at the forefront of medical and health innovation in Australia.

To get involved, [contact Sam McFedries](#), Translational Research Lead, Randwick Health & Innovation Precinct.

Follow [RHIP on LinkedIn](#) to keep up-to-date on what's happening across the Precinct.



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Faces of the Precinct

Get to know more about the people working behind the scenes to advance the Randwick Health & Innovation Precinct.

Three questions about the Precinct with Brooke Griffin, Executive Director | Randwick Health & Innovation Precinct



Brooke Griffin, Executive Director at the Randwick Health & Innovation Precinct recently spoke at the 11th annual Australian Healthcare Week Conference, sharing her thoughts on how exceptional collaboration continues to shape the Precinct blueprint.

Q1. How would you describe the Precinct in four words?

It's all about a mindset, being connected, creative and impactful.

Q2. What excites you most about the Precinct?

Early advancement in governance, and true collaboration with Precinct partners has organised us for success. These are the building blocks from which we align, evolve and accelerate as trusted partners to harness human energy and drive transformative change.

It's the hearts and minds – the people – that champion this common purpose through genuine passion, energy and commitment to a shared vision for personalised, holistic healthcare; and a strong community and economy.

Q3. What do the next six months look like for the Precinct?

In the last 12 months we've set ourselves up for success with a robust operating model in place, so the focus now shifts to the buzz of operationalising the projects and focus areas we've committed to, and bringing them to life.

The Randwick Health & Innovation Precinct brings together world-class education, research and healthcare organisations to address real-world problems across the lifespan, from newborns to centenarians.



Precinct founding partners tour the Randwick Campus Redevelopment

Executives from the founding organisations of the Randwick Health & Innovation Precinct recently visited the Randwick Campus Redevelopment site.

The team took the opportunity to informally welcome Professor Attila Brungs, the new Vice Chancellor and President of UNSW Sydney.

The NSW Government is investing over \$1 billion in the Randwick Health & Innovation Precinct, strengthening health, research, education and innovation outcomes to ensure NSW is at the forefront of health research and education internationally.

Precinct founding partners include Health Infrastructure, South Eastern Sydney Local Health District, Sydney Children's Hospitals Network and UNSW Sydney.

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