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Prototype Room Testing

Since the completion and handover of the Acute Services Building prototype spaces in December 2018, Prince of Wales Hospital undertaken extensive review and testing of the new 'toe-to-toe' two bed room, ensuite and staff bay. Conducted over eight months, this has included two distinct phases of testing:

Phase 1 - December 2018 to March 2019:

'Open house' sessions for clinical teams to visit, inspect and test the spaces, and to provide written or verbal feedback on the configuration and functionality of the rooms. The user feedback obtained during phase 1 has informed phase 2 testing.

Phase 2 - June 2019 to July 2019:

Two site visits to St George Hospital and Northern Beaches Hospital gave a multidisciplinary team from Prince of Wales Hospital an opportunity to review a number of specific design elements of the two bed toe-to-toe bedroom and ensuite. The visits informed modifications to the room, specifically in relation to the curtain configuration and staff observation bay. These changes were then tested by teams through a series of facilitated scenarios.



The proposed modifications to the room design have been favourably received by users, including re-testing by the Clinical Emergency Response team, who conducted a follow up Code Blue response in the new room configuration.

The Randwick Campus Redevelopment Team and NERU are currently working with a number of teams to trial multi-bed rooms for those patients requiring close and consistent observation, such as high acuity patients or cognitively impaired patients. This is the third and final phase of prototype testing.

We appreciate all the feedback we have received to date to inform and enhance the final room design. We will keep you updated on how this feedback is being assessed and closed out.



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NAIDOC Week

All around the Randwick Hospitals Campus, staff, patients and visitors came together to celebrate NAIDOC Week in a wonderful tribute to the theme, 'Voice. Treaty. Truth – Let's work together for a shared future.'

Throughout the celebrations, Welcome to Country smoking ceremony, music and dance, traditional food, craft, interactive workshops and displays attracted staff, patient and community participation from all over the campus.

Randwick Hospitals Campus BBQ

NAIDOC Week created a hive of activity, as all campus partners joined together to work on developing positive and lasting change. On Wednesday 10 July 2019, the Randwick Hospitals Campus held the annual NAIDOC Day BBQ in the courtyard of the Edmund Blackett Building.

This year has been the first year of a cross campus partnership between Prince of Wales Hospital, Sydney Children's Hospital, Sydney Children's Hospital Foundation, Starlight Foundation, Prince of Wales Foundation, Prince of Wales Private Hospital, Royal Hospital for Women, Randwick Campus Redevelopment and partners Lendlease, Price Waterhouse Coopers and Eastern Heart Clinic.

Prince of Wales Hospital liaison officer Aunty Linda Boney said "the support from Randwick Hospitals Campus staff during NAIDOC Week was nothing like she'd seen in 10 years working at the hospital."

"*Voice, Treaty, Truth* calls for Aboriginal voices in decision-making and a deeper understanding of the truth about our history so that we can all move forward together," Aunty Linda said.



The day featured live performances by Maddison Lyn Collier, Aboriginal singer from the Gundangurra and Darug Tribes, poetry and digeridoo by Uncle Gummeroy and traditional dance performances by the Gamay Dancers from La Perouse. This was in addition to the Randwick Campus Redevelopment information stalls and children's activities.

POWH General Manager Jennie Barry said "it was inspiring to see staff from all four hospitals come together for NAIDOC Week for the first time."



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NAIDOC week celebrations on site

Early and enabling works contractor, Lendlease also hosted an on-site NAIDOC week event to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

The La Perouse Local Aboriginal Land Council and the Gujaga Foundation led a range of interactive educational activities and cultural performances that were enjoyed over the sharing of Indigenous inspired food.

During the day, a mural of a whale was created onsite led by local artists from La Perouse. The artwork was a collaborative project for all guest at the event. It was created using glue, glitter and shells gathered from the beaches of the New South Wales South Coast.

NAIDOC Week is an important opportunity to recognise the contributions and achievements that Indigenous Australians make to construction and workforce at the Randwick Campus Redevelopment.

The Randwick Campus Redevelopment team is committed to realising meaningful and lasting legacies for the local

Aboriginal community and aims to make the project a place of cultural competency where Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are empowered through economic participation in both our workforce and supply chain, an importantly recognition through the design of the new Randwick Health and Education Precinct.



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Project Update

What's next?

- Once a main works contractor has been appointed, the Project User Groups will recommence later this year with updated floor plans issued to departments. This will give teams the opportunity to progress more in-depth discussions about how they will operate in their new departments.
- The timing of this process will coincide with the commencement of two new Change and Commissioning Officers who will work as part of the Redevelopment Change Team to help clinical and clinical support teams to navigate the important work that will be done over the next three years in the lead up to commissioning the new Prince of Wales Hospital Acute Services Building.

MEET THE TEAM: John Smith Facilities Manager

My role in the Randwick Campus Redevelopment Team.

I am the point of contact for redevelopment engineering services, managing disruptions and coordinating redevelopment works on the hospital campus.

The best part about working on the redevelopment?

The people you meet and the satisfaction of handing over a new building.

What are the tricky parts?

Trying to squeeze in a coffee at High Street Society.

What's happening when you're not at work?

Anything but work, I have a lot of interests but get most enjoyment from being around my grandkids!

