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## **Builder appointed for next phase of Wyong Hospital Redevelopment**

The next phase of the \$200 million Wyong Hospital Redevelopment is a step closer, with the builder appointed and construction set to begin in early 2024.

Health Infrastructure Acting Executive Director of Northern projects Hayley Bell said the latest phase of the redevelopment will provide more new and significantly enhanced healthcare services to the Central Coast community, to meet the growing needs of the region.

“As part of the redevelopment, the Cancer Day Unit will receive an additional \$6.4 million expansion, offering specialist cancer ambulatory treatment services, including chemotherapy and specialist consultations for residents in the northern area of the Central Coast,” Ms Bell said.

“This will bring these cancer services closer to home for patients who currently need to travel around 45 kilometres each way to Gosford Hospital, to receive care.”

A new Wyong Women’s Centre Clinic is also being built, which will enhance antenatal and postnatal care at Wyong Hospital. Among the services is a new Early Pregnancy Assessment Service for women and a new Day Assessment Unit.

The clinics will boost women’s health services in the region, providing a wider range of outpatient services for high-risk pregnancies including foetal monitoring, as well as an increased range of gynaecological procedures.

Central Coast Local Health District Chief Executive Scott McLachlan said in a first for Wyong Hospital, dedicated spaces for an Aboriginal Health Unit and Carer Support Unit are also being delivered.

“The Aboriginal Health Unit will include clinical space to provide services for the local Aboriginal community including GP and allied health clinics, antenatal, post-natal and baby health checks and immunisations,” Mr McLachlan said.

“The Carer Support Unit will provide a welcoming space for carers to receive support and care including a lounge, quiet room, and a meeting room for group activities.

“Wyong Hospital’s Pathology Department will also be expanded to support the increased demand for pathology services.”

“I am really excited to see this final phase of the redevelopment being delivered for the Central Coast community which will provide high quality health services, closer to home.”

The next phase of the redevelopment includes:

- Expansion of the Cancer Day Unit
- New Women's Health Clinic
- New Aboriginal Health Unit – Nunyara
- New Carer Support Unit
- New Medical Workspace
- Expanded NSW Pathology Lab

Lipman has been appointed following a competitive tender process. Construction is expected to commence in early 2024.

The first phase of the Wyong Hospital Redevelopment was completed in 2021, which delivered state-of-the-art clinical spaces including a new emergency department, intensive care unit and medical imaging department.

The second phase was completed in 2022, delivering more operating theatre capacity and an expanded medical day unit and transit lounge.

For more information visit the project website: <https://www.gwhr.health.nsw.gov.au/>.

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