ROADSHOW ROLLS ON

Our team met with more than 200 Westmead Hospital staff members again this week about early works and long-term plans for the precinct.

If you haven’t already booked a roadshow presentation, call our office on 1800 990 296.

Every session includes time for questions so everyone can be part of the process.

At right, our capital works team shows how easy it is to be part of a roadshow.

MEET THE TEAM: MARNIE BLACKBURN

What’s your title?
Health Service and Facility Planner

What’s your role on the project?
I work with staff and the project team to plan the new health facilities to reflect future service models.

What are you working on right now?
Functional briefing - it’s critical because it allows staff to tell us the detailed requirements of each service, including what is the future model of care, what is the future demand for the service, how will staff and patients best move around the service and between services, and what are the key design requirements.

From there, we can plan facilities that really address future service needs.

A big part of the functional briefing process is identifying ways of doing things better in the future.

This year, our team pledged to “always ask what matters most” as part of our Change Day commitment. What matters most to you on the project?
Ensuring that the redevelopment meets the future vision for Westmead and achieves an outcome that the Westmead staff and community are extremely proud of.

What do you think matters most to your stakeholders? This varies depending on the stakeholder but I think delivering best practice care for patients and a rewarding working environment for staff would be high on the priority list.

What were you doing/what role did you have before you joined the project team?
Planning for the Shellharbour Hospital Redevelopment and Northern Beaches Community Health Project.

How long have you worked for Health/hospital?
Since 1998 as a new graduate physiotherapist. My first job was as a physio at Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital in Perth.

What was your first ever job? McDonalds (and I haven’t eaten there since!)

Tea or coffee? Tea

Dogs or cats? Chickens! They make great pets!

Favourite secret spot in Sydney?
I live down near Wollongong so when I am up in Sydney I can’t go past spending time on the harbor.

Guilty pleasure?
Definitely travelling pre kids but now with two little ones I’m happy to just have a quiet cup of tea and magazine sitting in the sun on our back deck!
ON SITE THIS WEEK

- Contractors Stowe Australia will be starting the important high voltage electricity upgrades soon. Before they start work, they will be setting up their site sheds at the back of Westmead Hospital.
- Site fencing is on the way so get ready to see some major changes as you walk or drive to work.

To keep pedestrians and drivers safe, our builders will soon be installing more than a kilometre of fencing and hoarding on the redevelopment boundaries as we get ready to start early works at Westmead.

It’s only temporary but it will have an impact on the look of the place. Please take extra care on site.

WHERE

Site fencing installation here Sat 1 & Sun 2 August

New site sheds & minor traffic disruptions
9.30am - 4pm
Monday 5 August