The New Vision for ESSU/HOPE

As works start on the Emergency Short Stay (ESSU) and Healthcare for Older People Earlier (HOPE) Units we sit down with Ray Cabela to discuss the exciting new plans for the department.

Ray is the Clinical Lead for HOPE and Older Persons Review and Assessment (OPERA) and is keenly advocating the Short Stay Redevelopment which will provide a snapshot of what’s to come for the Westmead Redevelopment.

“It’s a taste of the future vision of the precinct. Not just for the immediate community, but also on a state and national level,” Ray said.

“The Redevelopment is positioning the Westmead precinct at the forefront of cutting edge healthcare design in Western Sydney— as a model to be emulated by other facilities.”

Ray was keen to add that now is a time of opportunity for staff and community members to have a say in the future of the precinct.

“This is an exciting time for the Westmead precinct and the Western Sydney community— people should embrace this once in a lifetime opportunity to get involved and be a part of building something great.”

The Redevelopment Team is always looking to engage with staff about suggestions and ideas. Speak with your head of department, nursing unit manager or PUG representative to find out how you can get involved.

Sydney Health Partners Logo Design Competition

Sydney Health Partners are a collaborative network of Sydney health research organisations recognised as a centre of excellence by the National Health and Medical Research Council. Their partners include Local Health Districts, The University of Sydney, The Sydney Children’s Hospitals Network and is also connected with multiple Westmead organisations.

The network is seeking those with an eye for design to submit a new corporate logo to be judged for use in their communications messaging including on their website, conference collateral, presentation material and media releases.

The winning entrant will receive a 128GB iPad valued at $869. All entries must be submitted by 5pm Monday 14 December.

For more information and how to submit your entry, visit sydney.edu.au/shp-logo

“An increasingly user-friendly and well-equipped space will assist in providing the high level of care patients need,” he said.

“We are designing a space which reflects the high quality of care which Westmead Staff currently provide, and in doing so we can create a space where individuals can feel confident to have a relative looked after, or even themselves.”
University Panel Discussion

This week the University of Sydney led a discussion panel at Westmead Hospital focusing on the University’s investment in multidisciplinary collaborations and key external partnerships on precinct. The panel included Dr Christina Adler, Professor Jenny Gunton and Dr Nick Wood.

The panel discussion built upon the new strategic direction for the University that was discussed during Vice-Chancellor Michael Spence’s visit to Westmead in September. The two key areas of discussion were the University’s involvement in the Westmead redevelopment and the implementation of recommendations from their Health and Medical Research Strategic Review.

Professor Chris Peck and Professor Laurent Rivory welcomed attendees and introduced the panel whilst also giving an update on the redevelopment and its relevance for the University.

“A core focus of the University of Sydney is to strengthen its health and research related activities at Westmead”, Professor Peck said. “The University can only achieve the vision set out in the Review through relationships with its Westmead partners and through greater focus on collaboration and sharing best practice.”

Demolition Works

If you’ve been past Institute Road recently, you may have noticed some changes to the Aged Disability & Home Care (ADHC) buildings.

Perhaps most notably, the buildings no longer exist! Over the past few weeks, demolition has commenced on the site in order to repurpose the area for the redevelopment.

The land was identified as a part of the master planning process for the Westmead precinct. This process has enabled part of the area to be transformed into a new on-grade car park.

“By adding in new parking infrastructure, we can enable other sections of the precinct to commence redevelopment without reducing total available car parking spaces on the precinct”, senior project manager Frank Princi said.

A waste management plan has also been implemented to ensure materials are disposed of properly and recycled where appropriate.

“80% of reclaimed materials will be recycled”, Frank said. “As a part of the redevelopment we have an environmental obligation to manage waste correctly and recycle what we can.”

The demolition works will be continuing for some time so please pay attention to signage and exercise caution in the vicinity of institute road.

For more information about the demolition and other works occurring on the precinct consult the site map on the following page.
Important information on works

- Please be patient, there will be disruption on the campus over the next five years.
- Check signs around your usual parking area for upcoming changes as the project progresses.
- Follow instructions from site staff.
- Walk only on marked paths.
- Report any concerns or questions you have to the Project Office – 1800 990 296.

On site this week

- **Demolition underway for the new car park.**
- **AW Edwards site compound**
- **FDC site compound for short stay & MON redevelopment.**
- **MON works to provide teaching & clinical simulation space**
- **Stowe Australia Compound High voltage infrastructure upgrade works.**

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