In early November the next section of Institute Road car parking will be open and available for Westmead Hospital staff use.

**Where is it?**
The new section of car parking is adjacent to the current Institute Road car park (as shown on the map). This is separate to the current Institute Road car park and there is no cross-over between car parks after entry.

**How will I access this car park?**
This new parking area will only be accessible from *New Road* via Darcy Road and Mons Road (as shown on the map). Staff passes are required to gain access and parking permits must clearly be displayed.

**What’s next?**
This new car park will be opened in early November along with the oval car park scheduled to open later this year in preparation for the closure of car park P4 and the staff on grade car park at The Children Hospital at Westmead. These spaces will help serve as a replacement for the future closure of these spaces so that construction works may commence.

The first major increase to car parking spaces will occur with 1250 additional spaces in quarter three of 2017 with the completion of the multi-storey car park. If you have any questions about car parking, contact the project line on 1800 990 296 or email us.
Last week the Westmead Redevelopment held a pop-up event to answer questions about the exciting Westmead Education and Conference Centre (WECC) refurbishment program.

Members of the project team attended the pop-up at Westmead Hospital in the level 1 special functions area. Staff and students were invited to ask questions about the upcoming WECC project which will see the level 1 and level 2 areas of the WECC undergo a much needed facelift. The WECC project is planned as part of the University of Sydney’s $60m investment in the Westmead precinct.

The WECC refurbishment project aims to create a new highly engaging teaching and learning environment within Westmead Hospital. It will provide attractive learning and relaxation spaces, designed to encourage interdisciplinary collaboration between students, researchers, clinicians and other precinct staff, to enable exchange of knowledge and ideas.

The new space on level 1 will be tailored to the teaching and learning requirements of students and staff. It will consist of formal and informal learning spaces with “bring your own device” capabilities. The level 1 space will also include a new contemporary staff room for use by hospital support staff.

We’ll be talking more and more about the WECC project in updates to come as we continue to plan for this major refurbishment to Westmead Hospital—so stay tuned for more information in the coming weeks! If you have a question about the WECC program you’d like answered, contact us on 1800 990 296 or send us an email.
Briefing the Clinical Excellence Commission, contributing to Ebola prevention strategies and providing input into the planning process for the Westmead Redevelopment, are all part of a ‘normal' work week for infection prevention expert, Jo Tallon.

Jo is a member of several Westmead Redevelopment project user groups (PUGs) that are providing input into the planning and design process of the new central acute services building. Jo sits on PUGs focussed on the new inpatient units, operating suites, Centralising Sterilising Service Department (CSSD) and intensive care.

Jo said, “Infection control is a fascinating and exciting part of the health sector to work in. Our goal is to reduce the potential transmission of infectious diseases to and between our patients, carers, families, visitors and our staff.”

“Infection control specialists at Westmead, like Jo, continue to provide feedback into the Westmead Redevelopment planning process. They ensure that new, renovated and existing spaces meet infection control standards while always looking for opportunities to fine-tune best practices.

Jo’s infection control tips

1. Practice good ‘hand hygiene’. Info for the public - [Hand Hygiene Australia](http://www.handhygiene.org.au), WSLD staff - [WSLHD intranet](http://www.intranet.wslhd.nsw.gov.au) (click on ‘Services’)
2. Don’t come to hospital to visit or accompany anyone if you are unwell. There are lots of people with compromised immune systems in a hospital. If you absolutely must come in (e.g. you are a carer or transporting a patient) seek advice before coming in if possible. If you must come in, practice hand hygiene and immediately identify yourself to staff and seek their advice.
4. If in doubt, ask questions. If you have concerns about you or your loved one, please ask staff. No question is silly!
Increased truck movements occurring across the precinct

- Construction vehicle traffic is increasing around the precinct. There will be a number of trucks entering and existing construction sites across the precinct.
- Please be patient, there will be disruption on the campus over the next four 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

Works On Site

- Construction works continuing in this location. Please follow the instructions of traffic wardens.
- Services investigations in preparation for linkway construction
- Car parking construction. Access to oval is closed until the new car park is targeted to open in late November-early December
- New The Children’s Hospital at Westmead car park access works underway. Works to be complete early November 2016.
- Construction of the new helipad
- This section of the new Institute Road car park will open in early November 2016
- Crane arriving on 5 November 2016
- Area closed for site preparation
- Crane intermittently onsite for the removal of old cooling towers