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## MEDIA RELEASE

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### **WESTMEAD HOSPITAL REDEVELOPMENT VISION UNVEILED**

NSW Premier Mike Baird and Minister for Health Jillian Skinner today revealed the new concept design behind Stage 1 of the \$900 million Westmead Hospital redevelopment.

They were joined by local MPs Geoff Lee (Parramatta) and Mark Taylor (Seven Hills) at Westmead's award-winning Millennium Institute to view the overall design for the future Westmead Hospital precinct.

Mr Baird said the NSW Government is getting on with delivering this key election commitment.

"The redevelopment will deliver a world-class health city that the growing population in Western Sydney deserves," Mr Baird said

"We want to ensure we use all the skills of Western Sydney local industries so that funding for the project is invested back into the community and the local economy."

More than 1000 construction jobs will be generated for each year of the project.

The new look Westmead starts with the \$900 million Stage 1 acute services building, which will house complex and critical care services in a multi-storey facility, including new state-of-the-art operating theatres, extra inpatient beds and a new emergency department. It will cater for adult and paediatric patients.

Mrs Skinner said centralising services in the acute services building will improve treatment for critically-ill, trauma and surgical patients.

"The completed project will also provide greater integration, particularly between the two hospitals and the two major research institutes," Mrs Skinner said.

"Westmead precinct partners have worked together to ensure better approaches to service and facility planning, precinct access, transport and car parking."

More than 12,000 people work and visit Westmead daily and consultation with staff, clinicians and community members has been key in developing the new design.

The first works are now underway on-site, with critical upgrades to power, water, gas and other essential services and work will soon begin on the first stage of new car parking for patients, visitors and staff.

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