



# Mike Baird MP

## Premier

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## MEDIA RELEASE

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### **\$307 MILLION TO REDEVELOP ST GEORGE HOSPITAL**

NSW Premier Mike Baird and Health Minister Jillian Skinner today announced the NSW Liberal & Nationals Government will commit \$307 million to redevelop St George Hospital.

The massive investment will deliver a new seven storey Acute Services Building - to be built on top of the recently opened new emergency department.

“The news just keeps getting better for St George Hospital,” Mr Baird said.

“It was the NSW Liberals & Nationals who delivered the new emergency department for St George Hospital and I’m delighted we today commit to the next stage of the hospital’s redevelopment.

“In our first term we have spent almost \$5 billion to deliver world class hospitals for patients and health professionals across NSW.”

Mrs Skinner said the St George Hospital redevelopment will complement the recently announced \$62 million redevelopment of Sutherland Hospital.

“The St George community is rightly proud of its hospital, which has a reputation for clinical excellence,” Mrs Skinner said.

“Unfortunately the infrastructure has become tired and in need of a major overhaul which is why we built the new emergency department and why we have moved quickly to start construction of the \$307 million Acute Services Building.”

The new Acute Services Building at St George Hospital will include:

- intensive care
- high dependency
- cardiac intensive care
- extra operating theatres
- extra acute inpatient beds
- sterilising services department

Work to prepare for the redevelopment began today with the demolition of the old emergency department which will be transformed into a new entry with drop-off zone, as well as additional parking.

Member for Oatley Mark Coure said: "Having opened the \$41 million emergency department, we didn't rest on our laurels as today's commitment of a further \$307 million proves.

"The new Acute Services Building will be the world-class facility that patients and staff have long wished for."

Member for Rockdale John Flowers said: "I am proud to be a member of a Government which listens to the community, commits to improving infrastructure and services and delivers on its promises."

Liberal candidate for Kogarah Nick Aroney said: "This is an exciting day for the local community – it's fantastic to have a government giving St George Hospital the attention it deserves."

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