

Strengthening local health services across the Eurobodalla

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Modern, integrated, and convenient: Batemans Bay Community Health

Planning is underway for a \$20 million community healthcare service at Batemans Bay – a modern, integrated, and convenient health care service for the Batemans Bay community.

Batemans Bay Community Health will work together with the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital, to ensure you will always have access to the right health care, in the right setting.

What services will be included?

Batemans Bay Community Health is being designed to meet the healthcare needs of the community and provide improved local access to services such as:

	Allied Health
	Child, Youth and Family Care
	Women's Health/Sexual Health
	Primary health care services such as community nursing, wound management, and palliative care
	Aboriginal Health
	Community Mental Health and Drug & Alcohol
	Urgent Care

What does urgent care support look like?

Plans for Batemans Bay Community Health include an urgent care service with extended operating hours to support people with non-life-threatening illness and minor injuries.

How do you plan a service like this?

Designing healthcare facilities takes time and careful consideration. Over the coming months, we will work with staff and community to make sure the service meets the needs of the people who will use it.

How can I get involved?

We rely on feedback from our communities to help inform the design of health facilities which meet local needs. As planning progresses, we will promote how you can get involved and help create a safe and welcoming service for patients, carers, visitors, and staff.

What is happening to the existing hospital?

We know how much you value your local health services. Having modern, integrated, and convenient health care for our community is essential.

The existing Batemans Bay and Moruya Hospitals will continue to provide health care services for the community while we design and build **Batemans Bay Community Health** and **Eurobodalla Regional Hospital**.

We will have more information about what is happening to our existing hospitals, how health care is changing, and how we will continue to meet the needs of our local communities now and into the future.

Early planning is underway and the project team will share opportunities to get involved and have your say as planning progresses – look out for news on our website, in the local paper and on social media.

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The NSW Government has committed \$260 million to build a sustainable, modern, and purpose-built hospital to support the needs of the entire Eurobodalla Shire community from Narooma to Batemans Bay.

The **Eurobodalla Regional Hospital** will be larger and provide more services than both Moruya and Batemans Bay hospitals combined, designed with the capacity to grow as demand for services changes.

The Eurobodalla Regional Hospital will include:

- An emergency department
- An eight bed Intensive Care Unit (ICU) /Close Observation Unit (COU)
- Increased capacity for chemotherapy treatments and increased access to renal dialysis
- Surgical and operating theatres and a day stay surgical unit
- Expanded medical imaging, including MRI
- Ambulatory care for community outpatient services
- Paediatric and maternity services, and a special care nursery
- Mental health beds for short term admissions, and
- Enhanced education and training facilities, including a simulation laboratory.

Where will the Eurobodalla Regional Hospital be located?

The hospital will be located on a new site to the south-east of the Moruya township.

About your Eurobodalla Regional Hospital

Feedback from doctors, clinicians, staff and the local community is helping to shape key features of the new hospital including:

- Landscaping and parkland as well as the hospital buildings providing connections to nature and recreation spaces for the Eurobodalla community
- A helicopter landing pad for transfer of patients requiring specialist care to hospitals in Sydney and Canberra
- More than 380 car parking spaces available for the community and staff
- Large scale windows bringing in natural light and westward views to the mountain ranges of the Deua National Park
- The incorporation of Aboriginal knowledge to build connections with Country and create culturally safe spaces
- The incorporation of sustainability principles in the design and construction of the project, and
- The latest technology and equipment to enable the delivery of contemporary models of care to improve health care outcomes for patients.

When will it be built?

Construction of the Eurobodalla Regional Hospital and Batemans Bay Community Health are expected to be complete in 2025.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROJECT

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