

Launch of Emergency Department Concept Design

The Broken Hill community has been given its first look at new designs of the expanded Emergency Department (ED), which will provide a first-class and modern facility for those needing critical care.

The ED is being reconfigured in its current location to better meet the needs of the region, undergoing a full internal refurbishment and reconfiguration.

The proposed floorplan (see page 2) and artist's impression of the new dedicated external entry into the ED, depicts how the ED will be extended into the existing ambulance bay, making it a bigger and more efficient space.

The bigger and better ED will enable tailored treatment spaces for children and those requiring mental health services, with a spacious waiting area filled with natural light.

The Schematic Design for the ED is expected to be released shortly following consultation on the Concept Design.



ARTIST'S IMPRESSION CONCEPT DESIGN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT: DROP-OFF AND NEW ENTRY

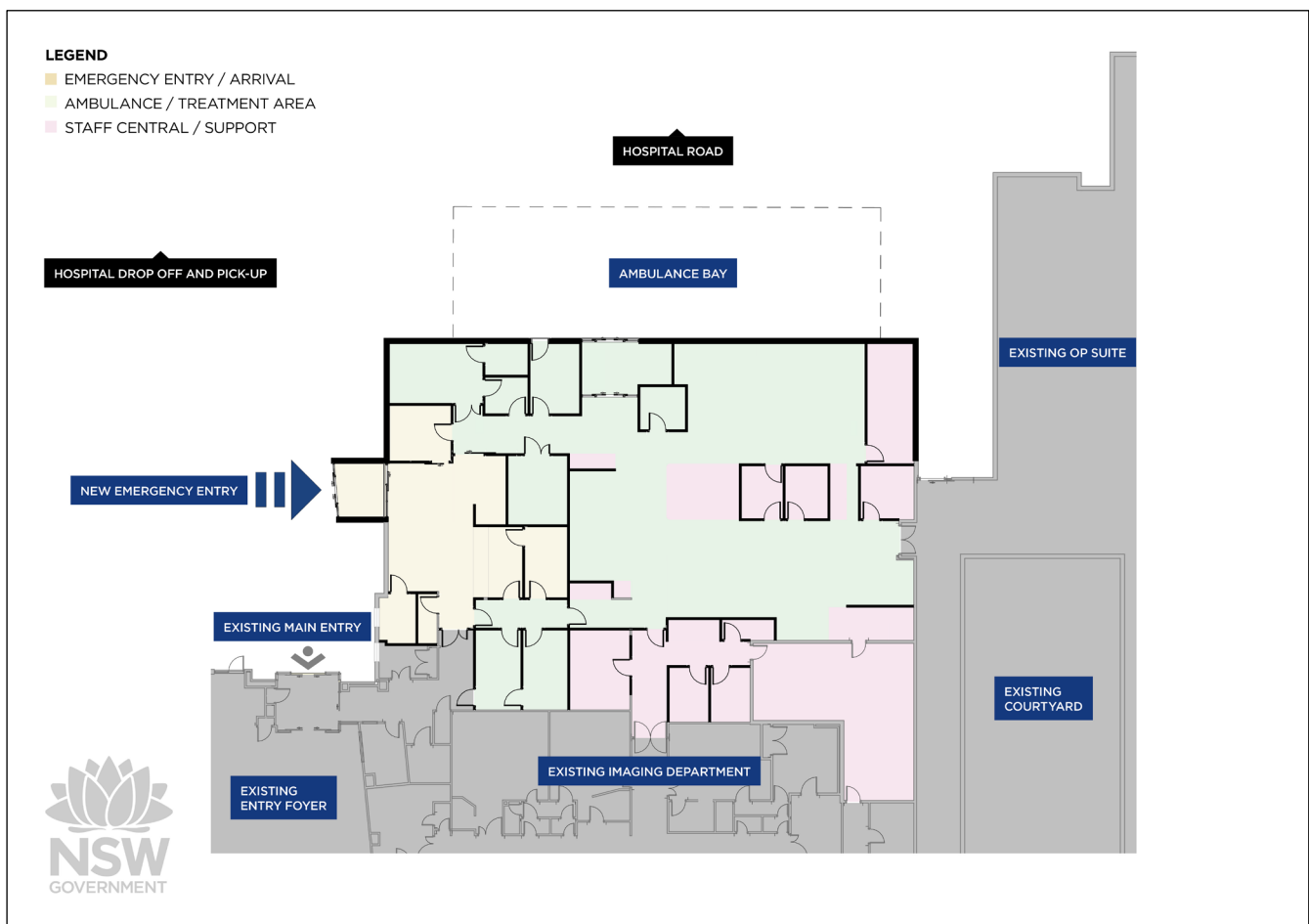
About the Redevelopment

In April 2022, the NSW Government announced the Broken Hill Health Service Redevelopment.

It includes a **\$10 million upgrade to the hospital's Emergency Department (ED)**, which will be reconfigured to better meet the critical health needs of the region and includes tailored treatment spaces for children and those requiring mental health services.

The redevelopment also includes an enhanced **Acute Mental Health Inpatient Unit (MHIPU)**, which is being delivered as part of the NSW Government's Statewide Mental Health Infrastructure Program (SWMHIP). Once complete, the upgraded mental health inpatient unit facilities will provide a modern and contemporary therapeutic space with co-designed facilities for people with mental health needs, their families, carers and staff.

The master planning for the two projects is now complete and they are now in the design phase. The tender for main works for both the ED and Acute MHIPU is expected to be announced in early 2024, following the completion of the design phase of the project. Construction will commence in 2024.



CONCEPT DESIGN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT FLOORPLAN

Acute Mental Health Inpatient Unit Schematic Design released

The Schematic Design for the Acute Mental Health Inpatient Unit (MHIPU) has also been released following consultation on the Concept Design last month.

The new designs include the proposed floorplan of the unit, two internal spaces and another aspect of the main courtyard, a key feature of the new facility.

All bedrooms in the new Acute MHIPU will be single rooms with dedicated ensuite bathrooms, and there will be access to a large internal communal lounge and dining area. Natural light, fresh air, and Indigenous influenced landscaping will contribute to a therapeutic

and culturally safe environment for consumers, visitors and staff.

The new unit will be built to the south-west of the current facility and adjacent to other existing community mental health related services. It will feature a dedicated entry away from the main hospital with a drop off/pick up area, as well as a sensory modulation room, multi-activity space and exercise room.

The design has been informed by valuable feedback from staff, clinicians, consumers, carers and the community, including Aboriginal people.



ARTIST'S IMPRESSION SCHEMATIC DESIGN ACUTE MHIPU: MAIN LOUNGE/DINING



ARTIST'S IMPRESSIONS SCHEMATIC DESIGN ACUTE MHIU: INPATIENT ROOM AND COURTYARD

