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Further Improvements For Mona Vale Hospital

Member for Pittwater Rob Stokes today unveiled the next stage in the transformation of Mona Vale Hospital, which will ensure it continues to play a vital role in providing high-quality health services to the community.

Following the recent construction of the Beachside Rehabilitation Unit and Mona Vale Community Health Centre, the next phase of the project will enable opportunities for a wider range of health services to be provided at the hospital site than ever before.

Mr Stokes announced the NSW Government is seeking registrations of interest from experienced health care providers to co-locate additional health services at Mona Vale Hospital.

“This initiative supports our community’s desire to ensure Mona Vale Hospital continues to play an integral role in the provision of high-quality health care on the northern beaches into the future,” Rob Stokes said today.

“Over the past 5 years we’ve seen around \$50 million invested in capital improvements at Mona Vale Hospital and we must ensure this momentum continues.

“We’re now exploring opportunities for Mona Vale Hospital to make the most of its fantastic beachside location and provide a broader range of health services than ever before.

“Health care has changed dramatically since the hospital opened in 1964 and so have local residents’ requirements. That’s why it’s so important Mona Vale Hospital continues to evolve and partners closely with the new hospital at Frenchs Forest.”

NSW Health Minister Jillian Skinner said the ongoing transformation of Mona Vale Hospital will provide a further boost for health care on the northern beaches and the Northern Sydney Local Health District will continue to retain responsibility for overseeing the delivery of services.

“Following major investments in new infrastructure at Mona Vale Hospital, this project continues to advance plans for additional health services and will help create an integrated and modern hospital campus,” Mrs Skinner added.

“Delivery of the planned 24/7 Urgent Care Centre, inpatient palliative care and inpatient geriatric units will continue, while ambulance services will also be improved.”

Acute services will transfer to the new state-of-the-art Northern Beaches Hospital when it opens in 2018.

Additional services which could be co-located at Mona Vale Hospital in the future include:

- day surgery;
- primary care services, including general practice;
- family resource centre;
- additional clinical support services, for example medical imaging, pathology and pharmacy;
- medical suites;
- mental health;
- additional oral health;
- additional rehabilitation and sub-acute services; and
- residential care facilities

“Responses to the registration of interest invitation will be carefully evaluated to ensure they align with the identified priorities for improved local health care,” Mr Stokes said.

Shortlisted service providers will be invited to submit detailed proposals in early 2017.

Staff and key stakeholders will be consulted during this process.