



*The NSW Government is investing \$180 million in the Lower Mid North Coast Health Service Project, bringing together the Manning Hospital Redevelopment Stage 2 and Forster-Tuncurry health facility projects.*

## Work begins on Stage 2 next year

Stage 2 of the Manning Base Hospital Redevelopment is progressing, with a project team recommencing work to deliver the redevelopment, and early works scheduled to begin next year.

The investment in the Lower Mid North Coast Health Service Project will enable delivery of modern new hospital and health facilities that will help meet the future health needs of communities in Taree and the wider Manning Valley region, along with recommencing the planned investment towards public health services in Forster-Tuncurry.

The project is being delivered by Health Infrastructure in partnership with the Hunter New England Local Health District. Mace has been reappointed as consultant project manager and MBM as cost manager.

Detailed design, previously completed for Stage 2 of the Manning Base Hospital Redevelopment, includes refurbished and improved inpatient accommodation, improved connectivity across the campus and extended telehealth services.

There will be continuing opportunities for staff, clinicians and the broader community to have input in helping shape the redevelopment as the project progresses.

## Early works

Following the appointment of a contractor, early works for the redevelopment are expected to start next year.

This will involve demolition of the current Administration Building to make way for the construction of the new inpatient accommodation building.

Some hospital administration staff will be relocated to allow the start of demolition works.



## Planning for future health services

The Hunter New England Local Health District is undertaking further clinical services planning for the Lower Mid North Coast Health Service Project, and recently started consulting with staff and stakeholders to support this work.

More information will be shared with staff and the community as planning progresses.

**For more information:**

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