

Budget 2019-20

## Supporting our Hospitals – additional infrastructure and services

The Government will continue to invest in important hospital infrastructure projects and lifesaving health services to ensure Australians can access the care they need, where they need it. This includes supporting the delivery of a new CT scanner for Bowen Hospital, QLD; enhanced services such as radiology, chemotherapy and paediatric for Bass Coast Health, VIC; redevelopment of patient facilities including improved patient access at Redland Hospital, QLD; expanded specialist care services at Wodonga Hospital, VIC; and additional on-call medical staff and special family accommodation for Ronald McDonald House, QLD.

This is complemented by record hospitals funding, the landmark \$1.25 billion Community Health and Hospitals Program and more than \$1.1 billion investment in strengthening primary care services and support for doctors.

## Why is this important?

These health services and critical infrastructure projects will better equip the health and hospitals system to meet the health care needs of a range of local communities. By directly addressing on-the-ground needs and closing identified gaps in service delivery, Australians will have access to the care they need.

## Who will benefit?

Local communities will benefit from improved access to hospital infrastructure and health services.

## How much will this cost?

This will cost \$107.8 million from 2018–19 to 2024–25.