



Fiona Stanley Hospital

Project update



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Construction of mental health facility begins

Construction has started on the 30-bed mental health unit at Fiona Stanley Hospital (FSH) this month and was marked by a visit to the project by the Minister for Mental Health, Hon Helen Morton, in early December.

The mental health facility will be a purpose built facility for tertiary care, including an eight-bed psychiatric intensive care unit and an eight-bed mother/baby unit.

Minister Morton said that when FSH opens in 2014, it will support a first class mental health facility that has been designed and equipped to meet the needs of its patients.

“The Mental Health facility at FSH will provide an important service to the Western Australian community, offering first class health care services to members of the community experiencing acute and complex mental illness,” Minister Morton said.

The FSH project team has worked in consultation with reference groups and expert stakeholders, as well as conducted international reviews of existing facilities to ensure every aspect of the unit promotes a more comfortable hotel feel rather a domestic or institutional setting. The result will be a state-of-the-art building that encourages patient choice by offering access to more communal areas and outdoor places.

The new facility will operate 24/7 and include tele-psychiatry services for rural and remote patients. The mental health facility will commence operation in 2014 when the hospital opens.



An artist's impression of the new mental health facility

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FHS reaches half-way point

As 2011 draws to a close, FSH project has reached a major halfway milestone.

Since construction began in September 2009, the project has continued on time and to budget for its 2014 opening.

All hospital buildings are under construction, with the education and pathology buildings nearing fit-out stage.

The project is on track to meet further key milestones in 2012, including central plant commissioning and completion of the mental health facility, car parks and administration.

The facades for both the main hospital and State Rehabilitation Service buildings will also be completed early in 2012, ready for the fit-out.

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Barry Marshall Parade opens to public for self-guided tour

Members of the public are now able to travel down Barry Marshall Parade and view major points of interest in the construction of FSH.

For a self-guided tour map go to the [FSH website](#)



Community Event Rescheduled

Due to a power outage resulting from severe weather conditions, the annual FSH community event was cancelled.

Power was lost from 3.30pm and did not come back on until 11.30pm.

The event has been rescheduled for **Tuesday 7 February, 2012.**

Bringing the best of health technology to WA

Tracey Simonaitis, Serco's Health Technology Services Manager at FSH, is tasked with bringing the digital hospital vision to life and setting up integrated services for electronic records management, clinical coding, scheduling and billing and health records management.

In October, Tracey travelled to Tang Tock Seng Hospital in Singapore and Seoul National University Bundang Hospital in South Korea to see how information systems are coordinated at two of the most advanced and well run hospitals in the world. Tracey was impressed with how both hospitals had used technology to create a better service for patients and staff, reducing the burden of administrative work for clinicians, which allows them more time to spend with their patients.

Tracey said that "using the world's best health technology and processes at FSH will lead to faster discharge times and improved patient safety."

"Seeing such efficient and effective advanced systems in action was very exciting and I am looking forward to using the best of the best from around the world to benefit patients in WA."

Managed Equipment Service process begins

Patients at FSH will be the beneficiaries of an investment program of more than \$100 million for major medical equipment, launched last week with the briefing of local and international vendors at Murdoch.

As part of their contract with WA Health, Facilities Manager Serco is coordinating the procurement and working closely with suppliers of the world's top equipment to ensure that patients of FSH benefit from the very best services. Serco will coordinate procurement using a Managed Equipment Service process, which is widely used internationally and also includes the management of equipment maintenance and upgrading.

Over the past few months, the FSH team has been consulting with local clinicians, including from Fremantle and Royal Perth hospitals, to refine the specifications for the major medical equipment prior to starting the procurement process. For further information on the procurement process, please visit the [Serco website](#).