

Design features

The design will connect to the people and heritage of the Shoalhaven. Public spaces will link the existing and new hospital, courtyards and gathering spaces.

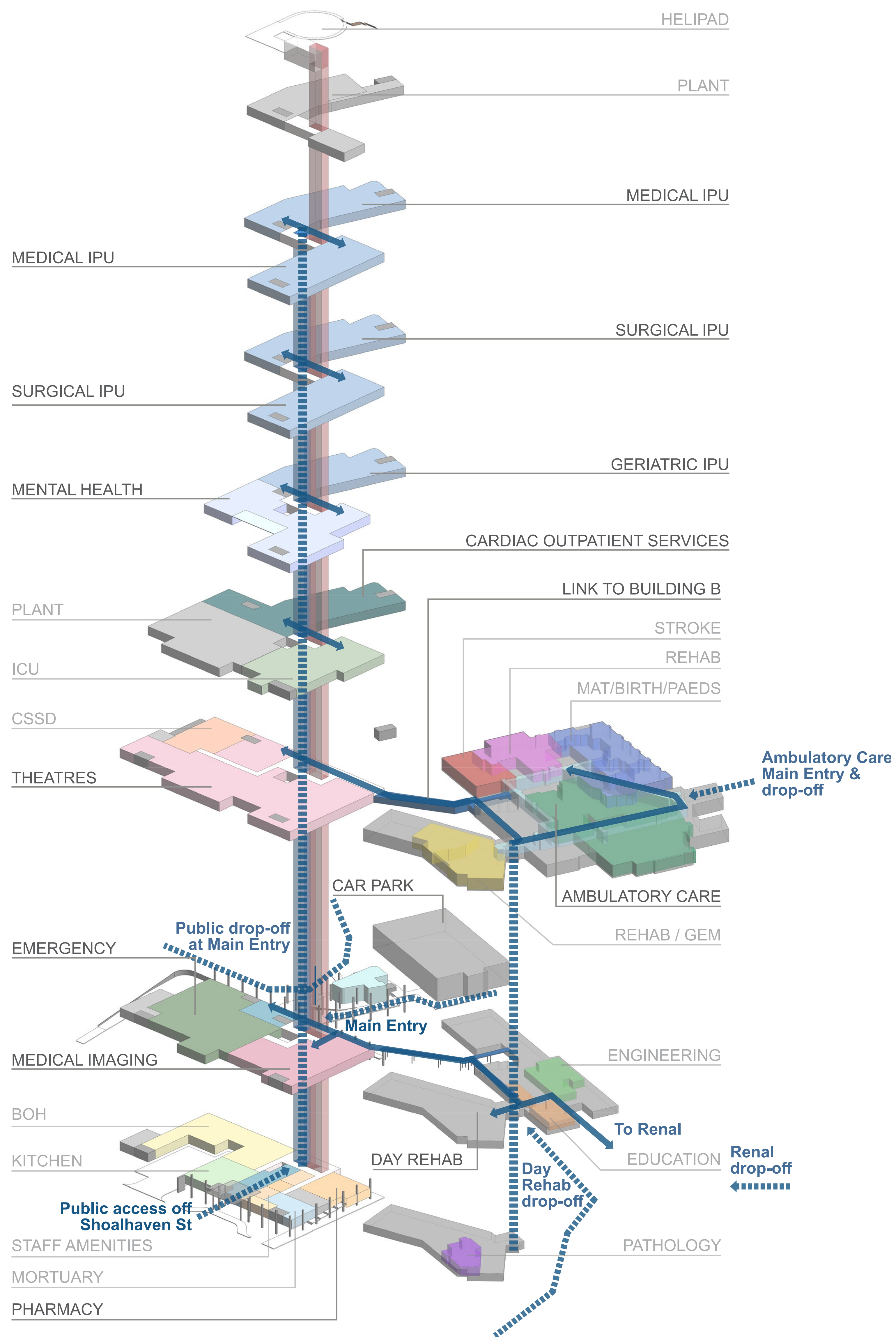
The proposed brickwork around the base of the building reflects the geology and the steep rocky banks of the Shoalhaven River adjacent to the site.

The upper inpatient floors face the northern sun and sweeping views of the Cullunghutti, Cambewarra and Saddleback Mountains and reflect the sky.

The campus will be unified with wayfinding and the use of colours, landscaping features and the potential of sculptures or other artworks to mark pathways through the site.



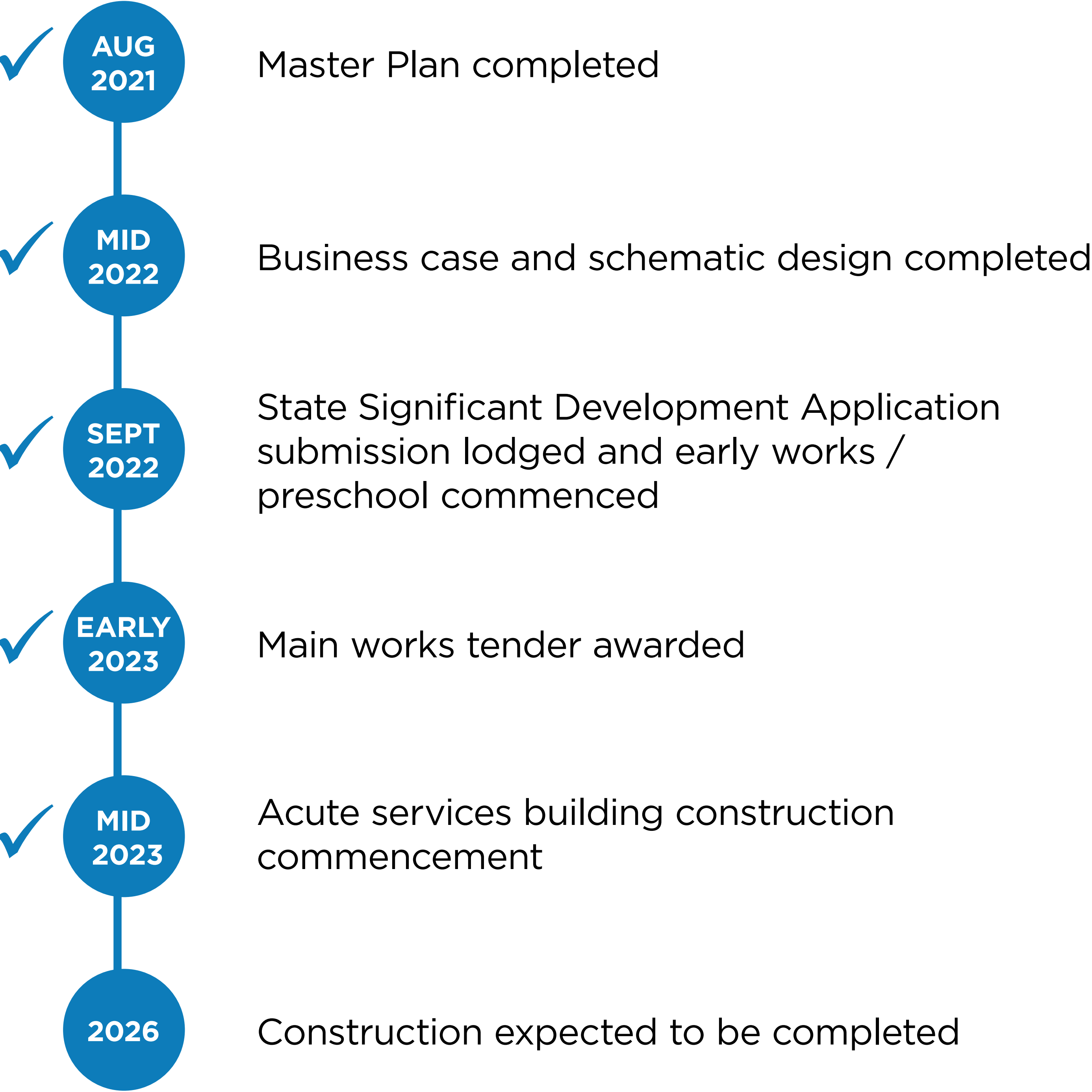
Visitor journeys



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Project timeline



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Landscaping and planting

The landscape design follows the theme of a “hospital in the landscape” to provide an inclusive, accessible setting which enhances the hospital’s facilities.

From the main entry to the outer edges of the hospital campus, outdoor areas will provide shaded seating in natural settings for family groups and staff, as well as those wanting a quiet break.

The pathway to the main entrance will be flanked by soft landscaping with a variety of textures and colours and seating will provide a place to rest and wait for drop offs and pickups.

Surrounded by paths and seating, a rain garden near the entry will be a natural feature to direct water runoff into the nearby gardens.

New plants will be predominantly native species with an emphasis on those local to the Shoalhaven, including varieties with food, medicinal and cultural significance.

The historic blackbutt tree will be a focal point of open space in the south eastern part of the campus. Accessible paths featuring seating and gardens will meander from the hospital through the green space to the tree and a new playground area nearby.



Access

Public access to the new hospital main entry and emergency department, both on Level 1, will be available via North Street, Scenic Drive, and Shoalhaven Street.

The new drop-off area, accessed via North Street, will be defined by a two-storey high breezeway, which provides access to the main entry and cafe.

The breezeway will be linked to the existing multi-storey car park by an accessible, covered pedestrian ramp.

A public entry will be on Shoalhaven Street and access to the main entry will be via public and staff lifts as well as stairs.

Ambulance access will be from Shoalhaven Street at the southern end of the new building via a vehicle ramp up to Emergency.

A link bridge will provide a public link on Level 2 from the existing hospital building to the new hospital, and provide a link between the existing birthing areas and operating theatres.



Shoalhaven Hospital Redevelopment

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The new seven-storey hospital building will provide:

- A new emergency department (ED) and emergency short-stay unit to improve patient flow and reduce wait times
- New state-of-the-art intensive care unit (ICU)
- Theatres and endoscopy procedure rooms, doubling capacity
- A dedicated cardiology inpatient unit (IPU), coronary care unit and catheterisation lab
- A new vascular surgery service and expanded orthopaedic, general surgery and urology services
- Overnight surgical IPUs and a dedicated day surgery unit
- New medical IPUs for specialties including gastroenterology, respiratory, oncology, endocrinology and general medicine
- A new acute mental health IPU
- A psychiatric emergency care centre for emergency and crisis response adjacent to the ED
- An expanded acute stroke unit collocated with a dedicated rehabilitation service to ensure early access to rehabilitation and minimise functional loss
- A new nuclear medicine department to support expanded clinical services including cancer, cardiology and respiratory care
- A new MRI service to provide improved diagnostic capacity
- Expanded medical imaging including CT, X-ray, ultrasound and mammography to support clinical services
- Significant increase in aged care capacity in a dedicated ward
- A sub-acute geriatric evaluation and management service
- A dedicated palliative care facility
- A new paediatric assessment unit which will provide additional capacity for day presentations and short-stay admissions
- A specialist rehabilitation unit for a range of conditions including stroke, orthopaedics, brain and spine injuries
- Expanded outpatient departments for follow up and management of admitted and non-admitted services
- Helipad on top of the new building with direct access to ICU and ED.



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CAFE AND MAIN ENTRY AREA



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VIEW FROM SHOALHAVEN STREET



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VIEW FROM NORTH STREET



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Operating theatres

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Operating theatres and endoscopy suites will be located in a new building for acute care services.

What to expect:

- Double the number of theatres and endoscopy suites to help reduce waiting times
- Increased theatre capacity will allow more specialised surgery to be conducted locally so patients don't have to leave the area for treatment
- Two stage recovery departments with extra beds
- New state-of-the-art central sterile services department (commonly referred to as CSSD).



Paediatrics & maternity services

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What to expect:

- Paediatric assessment unit to treat children with chronic illnesses as well as treatment and observation for paediatric patients from the Emergency Department
- Expanded maternity day assessment unit to increase capacity for prenatal and antenatal clinics and antenatal checks
- Expanded women's/paediatric outpatient services, consolidating clinics on site to improve access, as well as staff collaboration and communication.



Intensive Care Unit

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What to expect:

- Intensive Cap Care Unit in new acute care services building will more than double in size
- More high-end care (from surgery or ED)
- Two medical inpatient units to support flow from ICU
- Overnight room for families and carers of patients during critical treatment
- Outdoor spaces for patients requiring medical supportive equipment.



Emergency Department

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What to expect:

- Expanded Emergency Department (ED) in new acute care services building
- Separate psychiatric emergency care centre
- Separate children's pod and waiting area
- New short stay ward for people waiting admission or for short stay emergency treatment, improving flow of ED by freeing up acute care beds.



Medical imaging

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What to expect:

- New MRI machine
- New nuclear medicine services
- More CT scanners and x-ray machines
- Expanded ultrasound services
- Mammogram machine.



Mental health

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What to expect:

- New acute mental health service which also cares for older patients
- Mental health rehab and acute step-up unit
- Multiple outdoor areas for patients and family
- Specialised breakout spaces including gym, activity room, group spaces, sensory room.

