

New Mount Barker Hospital Development



About the Development

The South Australian Government has committed \$320.8 million to the New Mount Barker Hospital Development which will see a major redevelopment on the existing site and provide greater access to high-quality health services closer to home for the expanding population of Mount Barker and the Adelaide Hills region.

The New Mount Barker Hospital will:

- Triple inpatient capacity from 34 to 102 beds.
- Expand capacity in specialist maternity, paediatric, rehabilitation, medical and surgical and palliative care beds.
- Deliver 35 consult rooms to support Community and Allied Health, Aboriginal Health and medical outpatient services.
- Allow for onsite dispensing pharmacies and pathology laboratories.
- Establish a new 12-bed mental health unit.

Location

The New Mount Barker Hospital will be located at 87 Wellington Road in Mount Barker, the existing site of the Mount Barker District Soldiers' Memorial Hospital, which opened in 1919 and has provided health services to the local community for over 100 years.

The site was identified as the most suitable location following a Rapid Site Assessment led by a team of expert planners, engineers and architects. One of the main reasons the existing site was chosen is its proximity to the new Emergency Department, which opened in June 2023.

Importantly, the current hospital will continue to operate as the new hospital is being built to ensure continuation of health services for the local community.

Initial designs

Initial designs for the New Mount Barker Hospital have been prepared by the design team in consultation with local communities, consumers and key clinical partners. The drawings and diagrams below are indicative design images only.

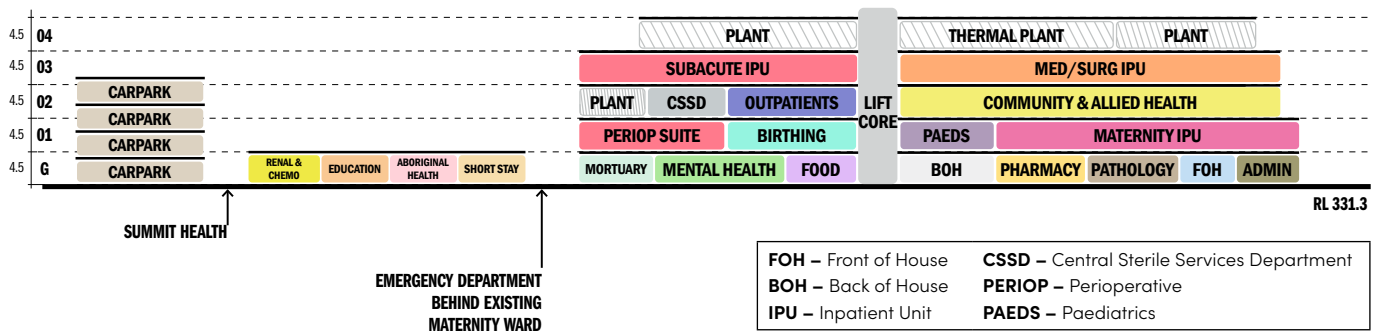
New Mount Barker Hospital Site Aerial



The plans incorporate key feedback from community and clinical consultation and key features include:

- Frontage and entry on Wellington Road
- Retention of some existing hospital buildings including Imaging and Emergency Department
- Proximity of new Mental Health unit next to the Emergency Department
- Integrated pedestrian pathways and landscaped gardens
- Connection and reduced impacts to Duck Flat Community Gardens
- Green spaces including nature views and therapeutic gardens
- Communal spaces including central courtyard, community garden and café
- Sustainable and modular construction including the use of local materials and fabrication
- Multi-level carparking and ease of access from Wellington Road

New Mount Barker Hospital Block and Stack



The NMBH 'Block and Stack' – diagrammatic representation of clinical adjacencies showing proposed location of functions and services across floors and levels of the new building site.



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We welcome your feedback on the New Mount Barker Hospital Development.
Share your feedback by emailing Health.NMBH@sa.gov.au or phoning 1300 317 447.

Next steps

Detailed designs will be produced and a Development Application prepared and lodged for assessment by the State Planning Commission in late 2024.

Public notification of the Development Application will occur and you will be able to provide your feedback on the Application directly to the State Planning Commission.

Planning approval of the Development Application is required before construction can commence.

More information

Register for regular project updates on the New Mount Barker Hospital Development by:

- **emailing us at** Health.NMBH@sa.gov.au
- **calling us on** 1300 317 447

Community engagement

Through all stages of the development, our engagement approach will be guided by the New Mount Barker Hospital Engagement Framework which sets out how we will involve the workforce, community and consumers in the engagement process.

We are committed to ensuring the community is engaged and kept informed about the New Mount Barker Hospital Development.

A Community and Consumer Reference Group is consulting with the Project team, providing feedback on the planning and designs, and helping ensure the new hospital meets the needs of the community.

We're also engaging with key stakeholders including the Veteran's community, First Nations and Peramangk Peoples, and key interest groups such as the Adelaide Hills' Palliative Care Interest Group.