



### Summary:

- Expansion project proceeding under the Hospital Rescue Plan
- Master planning for TPCH campus underway
- Clinical planning review to align services with future needs

Message feedback



Audience: All staff



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For: Information

Dear colleagues,

Following the release of the Independent Review in April 2025, The Prince Charles Hospital (TPCH) Expansion Project has been given a unique opportunity to reset the Expansion project, following the release of the Queensland Government's [Hospital Rescue Plan](#) (HRP).

Importantly, the HRP reaffirms that our expansion project is proceeding, we are still delivering new and expanded adult and paediatric emergency departments, operating theatres, 93 additional beds including paediatric beds, and we will still become the second largest paediatric service in Queensland. The HRP also confirms the Government's commitment to listening to clinicians and empowering local decision-making in the development of our health infrastructure.

We know staff are eager for more information on what's happening next and are pleased to share the following update on next steps.

### Next three months

#### Master planning

Our immediate focus is on the planning and delivery of a detailed master plan for the TPCH campus, which is about 36 hectares. The development of a masterplan will ensure that Metro North, alongside our precinct partners, understand the infrastructure requirements to deliver healthcare that meets the future needs of our community.

The master planning activity involves looking at how we can transform our campus to

allow for future growth and the clinical service priorities for TPCCH and the broader precinct. Throughout this activity, we will consult and collaborate with TPCCH Executive and clinical leads, as well as Health Infrastructure Queensland (HIQ) and St Vincent's, to ensure opportunities for shared infrastructure and services can be identified and delivered.

Importantly, it will also inform the location and design of our new hospital facility, including a refreshed block-and-stack design (i.e. the arrangement of departments/units), that will be delivered as part of our expansion project.

### Clinical planning and staging review

We are working with Department of Health (project lead and responsible for the planning, design, procurement and delivery of the expansion project) to undertake strategic clinical service planning to ensure the project's clinical priorities are contemporary and match the healthcare needs of our community and broader Metro North directorate.

This involves:

- A detailed review of clinical service demand and planning projections
- Ongoing refinement of the Functional Design Brief and schedule of accommodation (design planning)
- Ongoing workforce planning and reform initiatives
- Development and finalisation of detailed Models of Care
- Exploring various options to stage construction.

These are important steps to ensure we prioritise the clinical needs and identify opportunities to consolidate services on site to meet those needs.

As always, if you have any questions or feedback, please email our team: [MNH-TPCH-Expansion@health.qld.gov.au](mailto:MNH-TPCH-Expansion@health.qld.gov.au)

Kind regards

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