

ONE HEALTH SYSTEM FOR EVERYONE

One State, One Health System, Better Outcomes

One State, One Health System, Better Outcomes is our plan to deliver a better health system for everyone.

Despite the best efforts of doctors, nurses and other specialists, our health system is letting people down, it needs to change.

We have spent a lot of time listening to Tasmanians about what they need from our health system. Now we have released what is called 'a White Paper Exposure Draft' which talks about the changes we want to make so Tasmania's health system is better for everyone.

Instead of regional health systems competing against each other for specialists and equipment we are moving to one single state-wide system where we all work together.

This is not about saving money – it is about getting people off waiting lists and into better care.

Every hospital will remain open and have an important role to play.

The difference is hospitals will specialise in the procedures they are best equipped to provide and patients will go to where the best service and experts are.

That may be on your doorstep, or it could mean going to a hospital a little further away. To make any travel easier on patients and their families, we will look at how we can strengthen transport and accommodation support.

What's important is that you will get the best medical attention.

This new, better coordinated approach will result in less duplication and waste, so a greater share of health funding can go towards more people getting treated and waiting lists being reduced.

The benefits of one health system will be shared around the state with higher quality services and better results for patients.

[For more information go to: www.dhhs.tas.gov.au/onehealthsystem](http://www.dhhs.tas.gov.au/onehealthsystem)



What does this mean for the South?

One health system for everyone means that patients in Southern Tasmania will be able to get higher quality services and expect better results when they require surgery and other health care support.

As the largest public hospital in Tasmania the Royal (RHH) has a very important role to play in a more coordinated health system that benefits everyone.

The redeveloped Royal will continue to be a hub for the entire State when it comes to neurosurgery, cardiothoracic surgery, neonatal and paediatric intensive services and vascular surgery.

Changes include:

- **More complex respiratory services** will be offered reducing the need for interstate travel
- **Child and adolescent mental health services** will be increased with a dedicated adolescent unit established at the Royal as part of the RHH Redevelopment, and
- **Trauma services will be strengthened.** We are looking at how the Royal can provide their expertise in high level trauma service to the whole state, supported by the right emergency transport system.

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Royal Hobart Hospital Redevelopment

Delivering Better Care

The \$657 million RHH Redevelopment is a significant investment in better care for all Tasmanians. Brand new hospital wards replace old, tired facilities and allow doctors, nurses and other hospital staff to deliver health care in an environment that will get people back on their feet faster.

The redeveloped hospital will:

- Improve the way we can deliver services and get better outcomes for patients, including providing more single bed rooms
- Deliver greatly improved facilities for mental health patients
- Create new areas for looking after children requiring mental health services away from the adult acute mental health service
- Include a new helipad that gets rid of critical delays in delivering patients the help that they need
- Deliver a new hyperbaric chamber to provide better support to our professional and recreational divers, as well as our elderly patients requiring help to heal.

Work is underway to move patients out of the construction zone. Demolition of the current building will start early next year (2016) and the new building will be finished in late 2018.