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## CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE AT BARHAM MPS

Construction is now complete on the new Barham MPS, delivered as part of the NSW Government's \$304M Multipurpose Service (MPS) Program.

The Murrumbidgee Local Health District has marked the milestone with the release of a [time lapse video](https://youtu.be/qp1zl4BLnck) (<https://youtu.be/qp1zl4BLnck>) capturing the new build works.

"The video marks the completion of building works and reminds us how much change has occurred over the time of the redevelopment," Facility Manager, Lois Opie said

Murrumbidgee Local Health District partnered with experienced local provider of Residential Aged Care, Murray Haven Homes, to deliver aged care services for the community; 20 aged care beds were built including palliative care and respite, an increase in aged care beds in Barham by 10.

"The redevelopment has delivered a modern, fit-for-purpose facility, that the community of Barham can be proud of," Lois Opie said.

The community took part in a walk through before the new facility went operational in July 2019.

After the transfer of services to the new facility at that time, work has included the demolition of sections of the old hospital and conversion of the existing community health buildings into staff accommodation.

The new Barham MPS includes:

- 24-hour care
- Inpatient service – six single inpatient rooms with ensuite, including palliative care
- Emergency department with telehealth facilities – two resuscitation/holding bays
- Triage room and Interview room
- Treatment/consult room
- X-Ray facilities
- Flexible Community Health services – four consult rooms and one interview room
- Community programs – meeting/activity room
- Staff accommodation – three beds
- NSW Ambulance - access for two vehicles

An official opening will be held in 2020 to celebrate the redevelopment.

The NSW Government has invested \$10 billion in health infrastructure since 2011, with \$10.1 billion more over the four years from 2019-20, including more than \$900 million for rural and regional areas in 2019-20. Murrumbidgee LHD will also benefit from the NSW Government's \$2.8 billion commitment to recruit a record 8,300 frontline health staff over the next term, including 5,000 additional nurses and midwives.

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