



The community celebrates the turning of the first sod of the Tumbarumba MPS project.



Local Health Advisory Committee (LHAC) Chair Brent Livermore, Murrumbidgee Local Health District (MLHD) Chief Executive Jill Ludford and Member for Albury, Greg Aplin.

Milestone for MPS project

Politicians, health managers and the local community turned out last Wednesday to turn the first sod and mark construction of the new Tumbarumba MPS.

Construction will be carried out by Richard Crookes Construction.

The new MPS will include the refurbishment of the existing residential aged care building and an expanded emergency department, while new acute

inpatient and residential aged care wings will be built.

The community health area will also be expanded.

Mr Aplin said the facility will enable high quality, accessible care for the community, and in particular older residents.

The MPS would ensure older residents received supportive care across community, residential and hospital-based services, he said.

The larger emergency department, including resuscita-

tion bays and consultation/triage rooms, would provide tailored health care at the Tumbarumba MPS, ensuring timely access to medical care for low acuity emergencies, according to the MPS.

The project is part of the NSW Government's \$300 million MPS Program, which is improving access to health and aged care services in rural communities.

Construction is expected to be completed in 2020.