

WHERE IS THE MPS UP TO?

Richard Crookes Constructions (RCC) is progressing with the redevelopment of the Tumbarumba Multipurpose Service (MPS) which is due to be completed in 2020.

The first stage included site clearance works and the construction of a temporary entrance and temporary Inpatient Unit and Emergency Department.

The current stage of work includes the demolition of the old hospital.

The temporary entrance to the Tumbarumba MPS as well as the temporary Inpatient Unit and Emergency Department will be in place for about 18 to 24 months while the new hospital is being built.



Tumbarumba MPS temporary entrance

WE NEED COMMUNITY INPUT

The planning team will be at the Tumbarumba MPS on Thursday 28 June for two consultation sessions with the Tumbarumba community.

We are seeking your input and questions for a review of the MPS Service Statement which outlines the health needs and priorities of the local community over the next three years.

Service Statement reviews are a planned regular activity aimed at informing Murrumbidgee Local Health District (MLHD) of changes to service delivery requirements, based on population data, demographics and service use patterns for MPS's.

The Service Statements provides a framework to ensure health services match demand and will be a helpful review prior to the finalisation and opening of the new hospital.

Two opportunities to participate are available as follows:

When:

Session 1— Thursday 28 June 11.30am - 12.30pm or

Session 2— Thursday 28 June 2.30pm - 3.30pm

For more information of if you would like to attend please contact Senior Planner—Service and Redesign, Melanie Mann on 0475 958 858.



These pictures show what is left of the old hospital.



MEET YOUR NEW MPS CHANGE MANAGER



MPS Tumbarumba Change Manager, Michelle Cottrell-Smith.

Career background

I am a Registered Nurse and I have trained and worked in Melbourne before returning to NSW. I worked at the former Wagga Wagga Base Hospital (WWBH) for a short period of time and since 2006 I have been a Patient Safety and Quality Manager with Clinical Governance working across the Murrumbidgee Local Health District (MLHD).

Career highlights so far?

My career highlights are based around opportunities for ongoing education completing First Line Emergency Care Course (FLECC) and Nurse Immuniser courses. Career highlights in Clinical Governance include working with dynamic clinicians and managers across the MLHD to achieve better outcomes for patients and at the state level in particular, at the Clinical Excellence Commission. The implementation of the electronic Quality Auditing Reporting System (QARS) has also been a highlight.

What does your new role involve?

My new role involves liaison with key stakeholders involved in the MPS program to ensure effective change management around implementing new models of care, policies, practices and systems.

This involves working closely, consulting and communicating with community members and organisations, MLHD clinicians, managers, executive staff and support services and other key stakeholders such as Health Infrastructure, the project team and the construction team.

I am also the Change Manager at the Culcairn MPS and the acting Change Manager at the Barham MPS.

What do you think will be some of the challenges in your new role?

Competing demands, identifying and implementing change, meeting deadlines and milestones.

What will be the main benefits of the upgrade to the MPS at Tumbarumba?

The new MPS at Tumbarumba will be better able to facilitate new and contemporary models of care and will allow for service integration and innovation that will ensure better outcomes for patients, residents and the community. The new building will provide a safe working environment for staff.

What are you most looking forward to?

I am looking forward to the challenge and working with the staff and community to facilitate the transition from the current MPS to the new MPS.



Tumbarumba MPS Facility Manager Amy-Lea Bolger has recently returned from maternity leave and thanked Allison Dennis who filled in for her during this time. Caption: L to R Tumbarumba Nurse Unit Manager Kellie O'Connell, Amy-Lea Bolger and Allison Dennis.

