

MEDIA RELEASE

Changes to Canberra Hospital pedestrian access pave the way for new cancer centre

Health Directorate Director-General Dr Peggy Brown, today alerted the ACT community to changes to pedestrian access at Canberra Hospital due to construction on the new Capital Region Cancer Centre starting on 21 November.

“The new Capital Region Cancer Centre will improve cancer treatment by integrating cancer services, including chemotherapy, radiation therapy, haematology, immunology and research and teaching programs within a single five-storey building on the Canberra Hospital campus,” Dr Brown said.

“Once the construction site is established, changes to pedestrian access to and from the new multi-level Southern Car Park will ensure staff, patients and visitors are directed around the construction site in a safe manner.”

“The changes are necessary because the new cancer care facility will be built next to the Radiation Oncology building on the site of the current loop road outside one of the entrances to Building 3,” Dr Brown said.

A new temporary entrance has been constructed on the western side of Building 3 for patients and visitors to access Level 1 of Building 3 and Radiation Oncology. A short-stay car park with set-down and pick-up zone is also located nearby the new entrance.

“A great deal of planning has been undertaken to ensure as little disruption as possible for our patients and visitors, however the Health Directorate and I both acknowledge that the changes may cause some inconvenience while the arrangements settle in,” Dr Brown said.

Patients and visitors who use the Southern Car Park and wish to access Radiation Oncology, Level 1 of Building 3 or the Walk-in Centre should proceed to Level 1 of the car park and follow the signs to Bateson Road.

Patients and visitors who use the Southern Car Park and wish to access Level 2 of Building 3 or any other areas of the hospital campus should proceed to Level 2 of the car park and follow the signs to Hospital Road.

Patients attending outpatient appointments will be provided with information prior to their appointment. Further information is also available on the Canberra Hospital parking information web page at: www.canberrahospital.act.gov.au

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