



WA STATE BUDGET 2020-21 INVESTING IN HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH

The McGowan Labor Government is investing \$9.6 billion as part of the 2020-21 State Budget to strengthen WA's health system and ensure it continues to protect the health of the community and keep Western Australians safe while we continue our world-leading response to the threat of COVID-19.

2020-21 BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

- Record \$306 million in additional funding towards mental health services
- \$168.6 million funding to general hospital services to meet increasing demand
- An additional \$20.9 million for the continued COVID-19 response, continuing the work of the State Health Incident Coordination Centre and the Public Health Emergency Operations Centre
- \$80 million in additional funding for essential health system and community based services, including expansion of the School Dental Service across seven sites, and funding for in-home health and aged care
- \$60.8 million total investment towards the Bunbury Regional Hospital redevelopment
- \$55.5 million for operational costs associated with implementing a Medihotel pilot program at the Murdoch Health and Knowledge Precinct
- \$35.8 million elective surgery blitz to enable for about 6,000 more patients to have their treatment and return elective waiting lists to pre-pandemic levels by 2021
- \$29.4 million for additional medical internships at Western Australian hospitals
- \$68.9 million for mental health hospital services in the public health system
- A further \$24.4 million for the expansion of Fremantle Mental Health beds
- \$22.6 million to establish a laboratory at Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital that complies with industry standards and ensures the supply of radiopharmaceutical products for patients and medical research, including procurement of a second cyclotron
- \$22 million towards the replacement of medical equipment across the system
- \$20.1 million to strengthen End-of-Life Care and to support implementation of Voluntary Assisted Dying reforms
- \$19 million for the redevelopment of the Emergency Department at Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital and accommodation of a Behavioural Assessment Urgent Care Clinic
- \$15 million to upgrade and remediate the Human Resources Management Information System
- \$13.3 million for construction of the Royal Perth Hospital Synapse Innovation Hub
- \$7.98 million towards the planning and development of the Broome Health and Wellbeing Campus, a Nyamba Buru Yawuru project, as part of the WA Recovery Plan
- \$9.2 million for Country Ambulance services and enhanced access and patient flow for country patients
- \$10.3 million for the WA Country Health Service Command Centre
- \$18.8 million to operate six regional renal hostels that provide accommodation for renal patients that travel from remote communities

RECORD INVESTMENT IN MENTAL HEALTH, ALCOHOL AND DRUG SERVICES

The 2020-21 State Budget allocates \$1.013 billion to the Mental Health Commission to support services for all Western Australians. This funding includes:

- \$46.9 million for suicide prevention programs and initiatives
- \$25.1 million for a new 16-bed youth mental health, alcohol and other drug homelessness service in the Perth metropolitan area
- \$24.5 million to establish a 20-bed adult community care unit

DELIVERING KEY HEALTH PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

Other key health projects and election commitments that are underway or in progress include:

- \$73.8 million hospital maintenance blitz
- \$25 million towards upgrades at Peel Health Campus
- \$82.3 million towards the redevelopment of the Geraldton Health Campus
- \$322.2 million to address methamphetamine issues in Western Australia
- \$6.3 million to build an MRI suite at Kalgoorlie Health Campus and funded new 64-slice CT scanner for Kalgoorlie Hospital
- \$18.8 million towards the new 38 bed residential aged and palliative care facility in Carnarvon
- \$13.3 million to the Pilbara Health Initiative for medical specialists to service Karratha Health Campus and surrounding areas
- \$61.4 million to redevelop the Newman Health Service, includes a \$15 million contribution from BHP
- \$1.76 million refurbishment of Jigalong Health Clinic
- \$1.3 million for the construction of a new renal unit at Newman Hospital, which will house four renal dialyses chairs and supporting infrastructure
- \$5 million towards Tom Price Hospital
- \$16.8 million towards the new Laverton Hospital project
- \$1.6 million to create culturally appropriate accommodation for Aboriginal patients and their carers while visiting metropolitan hospitals
- \$9.7 million to expand the Emergency Telestroke Service to a 24/7 service
- \$1.6 million over four years for the Find Cancer Early program in regional areas
- \$1.2 million to expand the Ear Bus Program in the Kimberley
- \$12.2 million to upgrade Collie Hospital
- \$13.125 million to deliver radiotherapy services in Albany
- Rolled-out the GP Urgent Care Clinic Network to provide urgent medical support in the community closer to home
- \$256.7 million Joondalup Health Campus major redevelopment and expansion
- \$700,000 to construct a new helicopter landing site at the Jurien Bay Health Centre

WA RECOVERY PLAN SNAPSHOT

Other highlights of the more than \$453 million in health funding delivered as part of the McGowan Government's WA Recovery Plan include:

- \$9.5 million for refurbishment of Kalamunda Hospital palliative care services
- \$5 million towards university-led COVID-19 pandemic projects
- \$8.1 million towards planning for an Electronic Medical Records System, as recommended by the Sustainable Health Review
- \$7.5 million for critical upgrade works at the Pathwest State Mortuary