

# The Repatriation General Hospital

The Repatriation General Hospital provides high quality services, but many of the current facilities are outdated and cannot provide the spaces, equipment and layout needed for modern medical treatments.

- > Southern Adelaide Palliative Services currently provided at the Daw House Hospice will move to the new 55-bed rehabilitation building at Flinders Medical Centre.
- > \$15 million will be invested in a Veterans' Mental Health Precinct, located at Glenside Health Service Campus. Veterans' services will be integrated into metropolitan hospitals.
- > Services from the Repatriation General Hospital will be integrated into other hospitals, with Orthotics and Prosthetics SA (OPSA) and the Chapel, Museum and Remembrance Garden remaining at the Repatriation General Hospital site.
- > Following an extensive consultation process, the ACH Group has been selected as the preferred proponent for the future use of the Repatriation General Hospital site. The *Open Daws* submission proposes to develop an integrated health and housing precinct with a focus on ageing and teaching.

The proposed changes will not occur immediately. Handover of the site to the ACH Group is currently estimated to occur in late 2017. Services will only move when new infrastructure has been completed at other sites to accommodate them.



# New Veterans' Mental Health Precinct

The Repatriation General Hospital's Ward 17 provides excellent mental health care but the buildings that house it are unsuitable for a leading veteran mental health service. \$15 million is being invested to establish a Veterans' Mental Health Precinct at Glenside Health Service Campus.

The precinct, to be named The Jamie Larcombe Centre, will be established at Glenside Health Service Campus.

The new facility will be purpose built, incorporating the existing Intermediate Care Centre (ICC) building, and will include:

- > an ambulatory service incorporating outpatient treatment and a Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) service
- > 24 single rooms with ensuite outpatient rooms
- > a gymnasium
- > research spaces
- > gardens
- > a children's playground for families.

The precinct will also include a Partnerships Hub, located in the heritage building adjacent to the new facility. The Hub will be a 'one stop shop'; a place where Veterans, emergency services personnel who are experiencing PTSD, and their families can access information and services to support their individual needs.

Construction of The Jamie Larcombe Centre is expected to be completed by late 2017.

Glenside Health Service Campus is centrally located, can provide a private, low-stimulus environment and has car parking, public transport links and access to recreational, community and garden.

## Sapper Jamie Ronald Larcombe

The Veterans' Mental Health Precinct is named after Sapper Jamie Ronald Larcombe, who was born in Kingscote, Kangaroo Island and was deployed to Afghanistan in 2010. The name is a tribute to the service and sacrifice of Sapper Larcombe, who was killed in action on 19 February 2011.



*Veterans' Mental Health Precinct concept image*

## A new way to deliver rehabilitation

Rehabilitation is most successful when it starts as soon as you are ready, which is why rehabilitation is being integrated into our hospitals. The rehabilitation services currently provided at Repatriation General Hospital will be integrated into a new rehabilitation building at Flinders Medical Centre, with 55 rehabilitation beds, new gyms, robotic equipment and a hydrotherapy pool.

A single statewide model of care for orthogeriatric services will be established across Flinders Medical Centre, The Queen Elizabeth Hospital and Lyell McEwin Hospital.

## Outpatient services

Outpatient services will be relocated to other hospital sites where inpatient or rehabilitation services are also provided for patients.

## The ACH Group recommended for future use of Repat site

The ACH Group has been selected as the preferred proponent for the future use of the Repatriation General Hospital site.

In addition to the ACH, the *Open Daws* consortium includes Adelaide Community Healthcare Alliance, Healthscope, Anglicare, Flinders University and RDNS.

The *Open Daws* submission proposes to develop an integrated health and housing precinct with a focus on ageing and teaching. *Open Daws* will invest \$200 million into the redevelopment of the site over five years and will be completed in 2022.

The ACH Group *Open Daws* submission has a strong community focus to best meet our requirements for the site through providing:

- > health and aged care services including transition care and day hospital services
- > rehabilitation services such as rehabilitation ambulatory care and inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation
- > facilities for education and training as well as an innovation hub
- > residential accommodation for differing community groups.



*Open Daws concept image*

**The Repat Chapel, SPF Hall and Remembrance Garden will be enhanced and upgraded. The ACH Group will ensure the SPF Hall and Chapel buildings are appropriate for use by site occupants and the public.**

The *Open Daws* master plan also incorporates additional services including allied health services, residential aged care, affordable housing, medical imaging pathology and pharmacy services.

RSL SA and ACH Group will work together to ensure a continued significant Veterans' presence on the site.

## Palliative care services

A Clinical Working Party has recommended Flinders Medical Centre as the new location for Southern Adelaide Palliative Services.

Flinders Medical Centre is the most suitable location as it offers co-location with acute services. The service will be located on Level 5 of the new rehabilitation building at Flinders Medical Centre and will offer access to shared spaces and a large rooftop garden.

The new facility will have 15 single rooms, all with individual bathrooms, providing greater privacy for patients and their families and a better working environment for clinicians.

## Comprehensive surgical services

Surgical services will be relocated to other hospitals. In the South, surgical services will be managed at Flinders Medical Centre and Noarlunga Hospital, with Flinders Medical Centre focussing on elective multi-day surgery and Noarlunga Hospital focussing on elective day surgery.

## Mental health services

A 30 bed Older Persons' Mental Health Service will be established at Flinders Medical Centre.

The design of the new unit supports high levels of observation, purpose designed bedrooms and bathrooms, for improved patient safety. There are enhanced outdoor spaces including a healing and sensory garden, and kitchen and refreshment areas to support consumer independence.



30 bed Older Persons' Mental Health Service concept image

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