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NEW BREASTSCREEN NSW SITE OPENS

Free breast screening of eligible women in Murrumbidgee Local Health District (MLHD) is underway at a new clinic in Wagga Wagga's central business district.

The relocation of the BreastScreen NSW Wagga Wagga service from Calvary Health Care Riverina campus to a refurbished building is part of Stage 3 of the NSW Government's \$431 million Wagga Wagga Health Service Redevelopment.

Parliamentary Secretary for Health, the Hon Natasha Maclaren-Jones MLC said the relocation of this life-saving service to the heart of Wagga Wagga is an extremely important milestone.

"I'm very pleased that it will now be much easier for women to access the BreastScreen NSW clinic," Mrs Maclaren-Jones said.

"I encourage all eligible women to take advantage of this great opportunity and have a free breast screen."

The BreastScreen NSW Wagga Wagga clinic at 69-71 Berry Street includes:

- Dedicated reception and waiting areas
- Mammography and ultrasound rooms
- Consultation, procedure and interview rooms
- A call centre, servicing MLHD and Southern NSW Local Health District
- Accessible (disabled) car parking at the rear of the clinic in Bardo Lane.

BreastScreen NSW offers a free, life-saving breast screen or mammogram to women aged over 40 years. The service reminds women aged between 50 and 74 years to have a screen every two years.

In 2018-19, the NSW Government, through the Cancer Institute NSW, is investing more than \$4.5 million into BreastScreen Greater Southern Screening and Assessment Service, which covers the Murrumbidgee and Southern NSW Local Health Districts.

The BreastScreen NSW Wagga Wagga service in Berry Street will open from 8.30am to 5pm

Monday to Friday. To book an appointment, call 13 20 50 or book online at www.breastscreen.nsw.gov.au

A Fact Sheet about BreastScreen NSW Wagga Wagga, including a project timeline, is available here.

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