

BACKGROUND

In January 2021, the Graylands Reconfiguration and Forensic Taskforce (Taskforce) was established by the State Government to inform the planning and investment decisions regarding Graylands forensic mental health services. The Taskforce was independently chaired, and membership comprised six public sector leaders and one independent member. In November 2021, the Minister for Health provided an update to State Parliament on the work of the Taskforce, including that the northern portion of the Graylands site would be retained for contemporary forensic mental health and rehabilitation facilities. Following the Taskforce's recommendation to expand forensic mental health services on the northern portion of the site, further planning and design work led to the development of the Graylands Campus Project.

PROJECT KEY FEATURES



A 32-bed sub-acute adult male forensic mental health unit.



An eight-bed dedicated child and adolescent forensic mental health unit.



An integrated patient services and rehabilitation centre.



Relocation of the Claremont Therapeutic Riding Centre.

PROJECT TIMELINE



October 2026
Works to relocate the CTRC commenced



Continuing
Planning and design of main hospital works



To be determined
Construction commences

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GRAYLANDS CAMPUS PROJECT



Graylands Hospital entrance

SEPTEMBER 2026

Established in 1909, the State heritage-listed Graylands Hospital in Mount Claremont is one of Perth's oldest continuously operating healthcare institutions and remains the State's only public standalone psychiatric teaching hospital. The hospital is an authorised inpatient mental health tertiary hospital.

Co-located at Graylands Hospital is the State Forensic Mental Health Service which provides mental health care for people within the criminal justice system and has operated forensic mental health beds since 1993.

Planning for the Graylands Campus Project marks a significant step forward in transforming Western Australia's mental health infrastructure by delivering 40 specialist forensic mental health beds and an integrated patient services and rehabilitation centre within the existing Graylands Hospital site. The project will deliver modern, purpose-built facilities for mental health consumers and staff.

The additional forensic mental health beds will support demand across Western Australia, improving access to appropriate care and will help boost capacity of forensic mental health services.

The Graylands Campus Project supports the State's broader mental health reform agenda by improving access to specialised mental health care for Western Australians.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



What is the Graylands Campus Project?

The Graylands Campus Project will deliver 40 specialist forensic mental health beds and an integrated patient services and rehabilitation centre within the existing Graylands Campus site. The additional beds will complement the current 45 forensic mental health beds at Graylands.

As part of the project, the Claremont Therapeutic Riding Centre (CTRC) will be relocated from its current location on the north-eastern portion of Graylands to an adjacent site. The centre is Western Australia's largest horse riding school catering for people with disabilities and provides important therapeutic and recreational services.



What is forensic mental health?

Forensic mental health provides services for mental health consumers who are in the criminal justice system.



Why is the project needed?

The Graylands Campus Project responds to a long-identified need for additional forensic mental health capacity in Western Australia, highlighted through multiple reviews, planning processes and demand assessments over many years.

The project will also deliver Western Australia's first dedicated child and adolescent unit for young people aged 10 – 17 years who interact with the justice system, providing them with specialist care in a safe and therapeutic environment.



What consultation is required for the expansion of forensic mental health beds at Graylands?

Graylands Hospital and the Frankland Centre are authorised mental health services facilities and must adhere to the Chief Psychiatrists Standard for the Authorisation of Hospitals. These standards mandate internal clinical and design consultation including lived-experience groups, cultural experts and specialist and technical mental health experts.

Public consultation may occur through adjacent planning processes for example the public advertising of a development application. Community engagement may also take place when construction activities have the potential to disrupt neighbouring residents and businesses.



What consultation has been undertaken?

Given the specialist knowledge required, significant consultation was undertaken by the Taskforce with health and mental health subject matter experts. The Mental Health Commission also established a Lived Experience Advisory Group and Clinical Advisory Group which supported the work of the Taskforce.



Will construction activities impact the community surrounding Graylands Campus?

Works to relocate the CTRC will have a minimal impact on the surrounding community. The project's main works are currently in the design phase.



Will construction activities impact existing hospital care?

Works to relocate the CTRC will not impact existing hospital care. The project's main works are currently in the design phase.



Will construction activities impact heritage buildings?

Graylands Hospital has historical significance and value, and some of its buildings are protected by the *Heritage Act 2018*. Construction activities will take place on the north and east portion of Graylands and will not impact heritage buildings.



Have environmental impacts been considered?

Environmental assessments have been conducted with particular attention to preserving trees that provide potential habitat for black cockatoos. The limited number of trees proposed for removal is not anticipated to disrupt cockatoo movement, foraging or breeding sites. In addition, a comprehensive landscaping initiative will be implemented including the replacement and planting of trees specifically selected to support long-term nesting and foraging opportunities.



Who is delivering the project?

Delivery of the Graylands Campus Project is being managed by the Office of Major Infrastructure Delivery (OMID) on behalf of the Department of Health and the North Metropolitan Health Service.