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\$150 MILLION NEW HOSPITAL BOOST FOR EUROBODALLA

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Eurobodalla Health Service will get \$150 million to help build a new hospital in a major health announcement today by Premier Gladys Berejiklian and Member for Bega Andrew Constance.

Health Minister Brad Hazzard said Health Infrastructure would be tasked to identify an appropriate location for the new hospital, with construction due to commence under the next term of Government.

Member for Bega, Andrew Constance, said the hospital funding was a record investment and will benefit patients throughout the Eurobodalla community for generations to come.

"We are ensuring quality and accessible health services for the region, capable of addressing future demand," Mr Constance said.

Ms Berejiklian said: "We have seen with our record hospital redevelopment in regional areas of NSW that new hospitals can be a game changer for the local economy, and attract more skilled health professionals."

"Our hard-working doctors, nurses, other health professionals and support personnel will have a workplace they can be extremely proud to work in."

Mr Constance said during the past 12 months, the local health district had been planning for the range of services that will be incorporated into the new hospital, following \$500,000 in planning money allocated in 2017.

Community consultation identified patient safety as a top priority, as well as delivering a single central service with integrated local services and access to specialist services closer to home.

"Community consultation has been integral in identifying the clinical service requirements that will ensure we can continue to meet the health needs of Eurobodalla residents in the future," Mr Constance said.

"It is very important that we continue to invest in our regional services to ensure patients can receive high quality health care closer to where they live."