



# Fiona Stanley Hospital

October 2013



*Pictures of the State rehabilitation service facility, courtesy of Douglas M Black.*

## One year to go for State rehabilitation service

This month, Fiona Stanley Hospital (FSH) begins its final year countdown to launching the \$255.7 million State rehabilitation service (SRS). The 140-bed SRS will be housed in a purpose-built facility at FSH and will be the first service to open at the hospital in October 2014.

Situated next door to the main hospital, the SRS will have the capacity to rehabilitate patients with the most complex conditions on the one site, including spinal cord injuries, acquired brain injuries, neurological conditions, amputations and complex trauma. This means patients will benefit from having direct access to acute care services, reducing wait times and expediting treatment.

The new rehabilitation facility will also offer a new model of care based on international best practice examined by medical, nursing and allied health professionals from across the State.

Medical Co-Director, Dr Hannah Seymour, said the model incorporates the most successful components from a variety of models used internationally to provide the

very best outcomes for patients.

“The model of care for the State rehabilitation service at FSH will give patients and their families’ greater participation in their treatment and provide for increased collaboration between clinicians,” Dr Seymour said.

Key benefits for patients will include a single point of contact, early assessment and commencement of rehabilitation needs, access to therapy seven days a week and formal treatment plans that will be established within a patients’ first week of admission.

The rehabilitation services provided at Royal Perth Hospital’s Shenton Park campus will transition to the new SRS facility at FSH, and patients from all across WA will be eligible for referral.



*The State Rehabilitation Centre at FSH: Main reception, main courtyard and a patient room, courtesy of Douglas M Black.*

# Conserving the health of local environment

**The Fiona Stanley Hospital (FSH) project achieved a significant milestone in its environmental program with the successful rehabilitation of nearly 50 hectares of land within the Beeliiar Regional Park.**

Seven sites within the park were formally handed back to the Department of Parks and Wildlife on Wednesday 11 September as part of the State Government's \$7.3 million commitment to conservation programs in Murdoch and surrounding neighbourhoods.

More than 300 grasstrees and zamias were salvaged from the FSH site for re-planting in local areas. Plants which are difficult to grow from seeds, including 1,700 native orchids, were recovered and propagated for reuse.

Rehabilitation included the relocation of topsoil, habitat logs salvaged from the FSH site prior to construction, and the re-introduction of species suitable for Carnaby's Black-Cockatoo habitat.

FSH Executive Director Brad Sebbes said prior to FSH's rehabilitation program the sites were highly degraded, lacking in native plant species and contained a large number of invasive weeds.

"Weed, erosion and feral pest control were undertaken in order to protect the native bushland," he said.

"Most of the sites now exceed targets for native species density and diversity, and all seven now have the capacity to self-sustain."

Other off-site conservation programs undertaken by FSH include the purchase and protection of native bushland sites, fauna relocation, investment into community-based conservation programs and funding for Carnaby's Black Cockatoo research.



*FSH Manager Offsite Coordination Chris Murray presents the Beeliiar Regional Park handover report to Renee Evans, Acting Manager Regional Parks Unit DPaW. Below: The rehabilitated sites at Beeliiar Regional Park.*



## First helicopter lands

The first helicopter landed on the FSH helipad on Monday 2 September, marking another major milestone in preparation for a staged opening of the hospital from October 2014.

When it opens next year, FSH will be the only hospital outside the Perth CBD with a helipad and will provide a crucial service to patients from Rottnest Island and metropolitan and rural regions south of the city.

Large enough to accommodate the two largest emergency helicopters in the State, the helipad is expected to transport a couple of patients each week once operational. This will provide an essential service for critically ill people requiring urgent tertiary and intensive care, including critical burns and cardiothoracic cases.

It is strategically located above operating theatres, intensive care and the emergency department, and is built primarily as a floating deck on rubber bearing pads which will mitigate vibration to improve patient comfort.

The helipad test was conducted to measure noise and vibration levels to ensure they were at an acceptable level.



Test landing at the FSH helipad.



You will be able to wander around our courtyard and view the main concourse inside the hospital. Photos courtesy of Douglas Mark Black.

## Community Open Day

**Come and learn more about our hospital at the FSH community open day on Saturday, 26 October. Speak directly to project staff about a range of topics including our clinical services, and working and volunteering with us.**

Representatives from Transperth and the City of Melville will also be on hand to answer questions about roads, traffic, transport and precinct development.

There will be a free sausage sizzle, and entertainment and activities for children including a colouring-in competition for the chance to win tickets to Perth Zoo.

**Date: Saturday 26 October 2013**

**Time: Drop in any time between 11am and 2pm**

**Place:** Fiona Stanley Hospital internal courtyard. Located behind the administration building on Barry Marshall Parade, Murdoch.

**Parking:** Public parking is available in the car park next to the administration building

**Download:**

- [Map](#)
- [Colouring in competition picture](#)

For more information, visit our [website](#).

# Serco to recruit 1000 non-clinical positions to FSH in 2014

Over the next year, Serco will be recruiting more than 1000 people to work in non-clinical positions at FSH in Murdoch.

They are looking for team members whose passion, commitment and dedication will deliver an exceptional patient experience.

The Serco team expects to employ staff from a range of backgrounds, including many with WA Health experience and would like to encourage anyone interested in a role at FSH to register for job opportunity updates at [www.FSHcareers.com.au](http://www.FSHcareers.com.au).

All applicants will follow the same recruitment process, with all roles being advertised publically. The recruitment process has been designed to be as easy as possible for candidates and to ensure that the right person is selected for each position.



*Fiona Stanley Hospital, photo courtesy of Douglas Mark Black*



## Current employment opportunities at FSH

We are currently recruiting for:

- **Head of Neurology**  
Job reference number: 113353  
Closing date: 4pm (WST),  
25 October 2013
- **Head of Neonatology**  
Job reference number: 113391  
Closing date: 4pm (WST),  
25 October 2013

For further job related information on the above positions please refer to the [WA Health Jobs Board](#) and enter the relevant job reference number.

## Working at FSH

Visit the '[Job vacancy](#)' page on our new **website** for upcoming work opportunities, and register your interest by completing the **[enquiry form](#)** to receive our latest recruitment updates.

For further information email [fsh@health.wa.gov.au](mailto:fsh@health.wa.gov.au)  
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