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\$29 MILLION FOR NEW CAR PARK AT CANBERRA HOSPITAL

The ACT Government has committed \$29 million over two years to fund the construction of a new multi-storey car park at the Canberra Hospital.

Minister for Health Katy Gallagher said the project would also include a separate helipad elevated above the top deck of the structure.

"The new multi-storey car park will contain 1,400 spaces with a further 90 spaces at ground level," Ms Gallagher said.

"The combined car park will contain 1,080 parking spaces for staff on the upper levels and 410 spaces for visitors on the lower levels."

"The new car park will ensure the growing demand for parking at the Canberra Hospital continues to be met and ensures ongoing ease of access to parking spaces close to the hospital for visitors and patients."

Ms Gallagher said the increase in car parking is also essential for future expansion of clinical services on the Canberra Hospital site.

"Over time we will need to expand services at the Canberra Hospital in the areas of neonatal intensive care and mental health services and in providing more beds and more surgical capacity.

Construction of the multi-storey car park is expected to begin in early 2008 and be completed by mid 2009.

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