

# Media Release

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## NEW RESIDENTIAL AGED CARE FACILITY FOR WANTIRNA

The new Wantirna residential aged care facility is a step closer to being built with the Andrews Labor Government commencing the tender phase to appoint a builder.

The 120-bed, multi-level state-of-the-art aged care facility will provide the best care for older Victorians and is designed to be dementia-friendly for Victorians with complex care needs.

Residents will enjoy a more home-like environment with private rooms and ensuites, along with natural light and sweeping views over the Dandenong Ranges.

The facility will also include a community room, café, sacred space and other common areas designed to encourage social interactions between residents, staff, families and the community.

Located next to the existing Wantirna Health service, the facility will form part of the Wantirna Health Precinct, an integrated healthcare hub making it easier for aged care residents to access medical attention.

The Victorian Government expects to announce a builder in August 2020, with the start of construction to soon follow. The facility is scheduled for completion by mid-2022.

The Wantirna facility is part of Government's commitment to delivering best practice public sector residential aged care services and high-quality care for older Victorians.

For more information about the Wantirna residential aged care facility visit [www.vhhsba.vic.gov.au/health-infrastructure/wantirna-residential-aged-care](http://www.vhhsba.vic.gov.au/health-infrastructure/wantirna-residential-aged-care)

### Quotes attributable to Minister for Disability, Ageing and Carers Luke Donnellan

*"This state-of-the-art facility will ensure older Victorians receive the care they deserve, in a comfortable environment that feels like home."*

*"The common spaces will provide opportunities for social interaction and activities which are integral to improved mental and physical health and quality of life."*

*"Being within the Wantirna Health Precinct means residents will also be able to quickly and easily access health services if needed."*

### Quotes attributable to Member for Bayswater Jackson Taylor

*"I'm pleased to see this facility has moved one step closer to becoming a reality for our community."*

*"When complete it will allow our senior Victorians to live in the comfortable and supportive environment they deserve."*

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