

**The Hon Gayle Tierney MP** Minister for Training and Skills Minister for Higher Education Minister for Agriculture



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## WORKS TO START ON WORLD-CLASS BROADMEADOWS TRAINING CENTRE

Work has started on a new centre of excellence in Broadmeadows that will deliver vital training for jobs in health and community services thanks to the Andrews Labor Government.

Minister for Training and Skills and Higher Education Gayle Tierney turned the first sod on Kangan Institute's new Broadmeadows Health and Community Centre of Excellence, which was supported by a \$60 million Labor Government investment.

The new centre will deliver courses in high priority areas including aged care, mental health, disability, pathology, allied health, and early childhood education and care.

The new building will have flexible learning spaces, state-of-the-art laboratories for health simulation and outdoor spaces.

The centre is being built at Kangan Institute's Broadmeadows campus in Pearcedale Parade, with construction expected to be completed in late 2024, creating 300 jobs.

Kangan Institute has signed Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) with local healthcare providers, including DPV Health and Northern Health, to support future training needs.

Students studying at the centre will have access to placements through partnerships between Kangan Institute and providers.

Since 2014, the Government has made a record \$3.5 billion investment to rebuild TAFE and support higher education, ensuring Victorians have access to high quality education and rewarding career pathways.

## Quote attributable to Minister for Training and Skills and Higher Education Gayle Tierney

"We're delivering a new health and community training centre in the heart of Broadmeadows so students in the northern suburbs have access to world-class training facilities, securing more workers in priority industries and building key skills for the future."

## Quote attributable to the Member for Broadmeadows Kathleen Matthews-Ward

"This huge investment will be the Jewel in the crown for Kangan Broadmeadows, providing locals with the highquality training needed for the State's most rewarding and in-demand jobs."

## Quote attributable to Kangan Institute Chief Executive Officer Sally Curtain

"The Health and Community Centre of Excellence will deliver the health and community training needed to support the growing northern corridor, with students and teachers learning and teaching in state-of-the-art facilities"