

# 5<sup>th</sup> Floor News

The 5th Floor is changing...



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## **Dear staff, patients, families and carers**

With the assessment of functional needs for the 5th Floor Relocation Project complete we have identified that two new locations are required to support our respiratory service.

The new proposed locations for respiratory services are the 2nd Floor East Block for the clinical services, research areas and offices, and a new purpose-built area on the Ground Floor of The Alfred Centre for the sleep laboratory.

We believe these new locations will address the priorities raised by staff and patients during the planning phase and ensure we continue to maintain and improve our high-level of clinical care.

These proposed new locations will offer:

- better facilities including waiting rooms and waiting arrangements;
- proximity to clinical areas and ease of access to staff; and
- improved separation of patients with differing infection risks.

## **Staff and patient involvement crucial during design phase**

The next stage is to design these new areas to meet clinical and functional requirements. During this stage we will re-assess the timelines for relocation.

Continued staff and patient involvement during design is crucial.

The **Patient Reference Group** (see overleaf) is being established, so patients can provide detailed feedback on the draft designs of the new clinical areas, using their own experiences. The **CF Advisory Group** will also continue to provide invaluable feedback.

Of course our staff will continue to be closely involved throughout the design, construction and relocation processes.

Our thanks go to our staff and patients for investing time and thought into this project.

Through continuing to work together, we will make the relocation of our respiratory service a success.

### **Prof Trevor Williams**

Director General Respiratory  
& Lung Transplant

### **Prof Robyn O'Hehir**

Director Allergy, Immunology  
& Cystic Fibrosis

## **New proposed locations for the respiratory service**

### **The new proposed locations:**

- the 2nd Floor East Block, for clinical services, research areas and offices;
- the Ground Floor of The Alfred Centre, with a new purpose-built area for the sleep laboratory.

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## Involvement during crucial design phase

The **Patient Reference Group** is being established and membership will be announced in late March. Through this group, patients can provide detailed feedback on the draft designs of the new clinical areas, using their own experiences.

Our **CF Advisory Group** will continue to provide invaluable advice and insights throughout this process.

As we make progress through this stage, we will hold an **online roadshow** so all interested parties have the opportunity to contribute to the design.

## Relocating services from 5West will create a new ward

We are creating a new ward on the 5th Floor to meet the increasing need for inpatient care from our community.

Called Ward 5West, this is the only remaining area in the Main Ward Block that can provide ward capacity.

As a result, the respiratory service will move to two new locations, the 2nd Floor, East Block and the Ground Floor, The Alfred Centre.

There is no change to Ward 5East, where we care for patients with respiratory conditions including cystic fibrosis and lung transplantation.

## Keeping up to date

Keep up to date with the latest news as we progress with the 5th Floor Relocation Project.



Visit our website: [alfredhealth.org.au/consult5floor](http://alfredhealth.org.au/consult5floor)



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## Estimated project milestones 2017



● **January - February**

### 1. Planning

Identifying needs and requirements



● **March - April**

### 2. Designing

Developing design options and determining suitable relocation areas



● **April - September**

### 3. Construction

Developing relocation areas



● **August - September**

### 4. Relocation

Moving to redeveloped areas