

A New Quadriplegic Centre

Compassionate care for the 21st Century



The Liberal-led Government has invested more than \$7 billion in rebuilding our health system to give Western Australian families access to world-class health care.

However, there is more to be done to modernise care for people with disability and permanent injury.

The Liberal-led Government will replace the ageing State Quadriplegic Centre and introduce a new model of care to deliver state-of-the-art treatment and support for Western Australians with spinal cord injury.

Fast Facts

- It is estimated that more than 1,100 people are living with spinal cord injury in WA.
- The State Quadriplegic Centre in Shenton Park was built in 1969.
- The Centre has a 74-bed capacity and currently houses 46 residents, of whom 29 are permanent and 17 are transitioning back into the community. (December 2016)
- The Quad Centre at Shenton Park provides transitional care, centre-based respite and long-term residential care for patients with spinal injury.

Our Commitment

The Government will replace the out-dated Quad Centre with a new residential facility that reflects modern methods of care for patients with spinal injury.

The new facilities will cost up to \$43 million and include:

- A new 28-bed facility meeting modern standards of care at the existing Shenton Park site with an estimated cost of \$30million.
- Purpose-built housing constructed in the metropolitan area to accommodate patients wishing to live in the community, estimated at \$13million.

Construction is due to start in 2018.

This commitment is in line with new models of care designed to support people with spinal injury to live at home or in other more independent settings if they choose.

The Liberal-led Government has worked with the Spine and Limb Foundation, which operates the Quad Centre, to develop the new model. Patients and their families will be consulted during the planning process for the new facilities, with all current residents able to remain in residential care if that is their wish.

A Strong Record

The Liberal-led Government's commitment to a new Quadriplegic Centre comes on top of a \$7 billion investment into 61 new hospitals and health facilities throughout the metropolitan area and across the State including Fiona Stanley Hospital, Midland Public Hospital and the world-class Perth Children's Hospital.

The new 140-bed State Rehabilitation Service, based at Fiona Stanley Hospital, also provides state-wide tertiary or specialist inpatient and outpatient clinical rehabilitation services to people suffering from complex or catastrophic injuries or illnesses.

The Liberal-led Government also introduced a no fault motor injury insurance scheme to ensure lifetime treatment, care and support for people catastrophically injured in motor vehicle crashes.

