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Liverpool Hospital redevelopment wins prestigious award

The five-year long extension and refurbishment of Liverpool Hospital has not only proven to be a winner for patients and staff, but for all involved in the construction project as well.

Lend Lease has been awarded the MBA (Master Builders Association) Excellence in Construction Award in the Health Buildings Category for 2013, of a project costing between \$100 million and \$500 million.

The Awards are the commercial building industry's most prestigious awards, attracting entries from the state's largest contractors.

The Liverpool Hospital Redevelopment Stage Two contract was for the construction of a new Clinical Services Building, major refurbishment of the existing Clinical Services Building, extension of the Cancer Services Centre and a new Sub-Acute Mental Health Facility.

Competition judges noted the significant scale of the project, which was approximately \$400 million in total and for which planning commenced in 2006, and were impressed with how it was carried out while having minimal impact on hospital operations.

"The works were within one of the busiest hospitals in New South Wales all whilst ensuring critical care services remained operational, such as the emergency department, cancer treatment, acute mental health, and security services," the judges said.

"The Liverpool Hospital Redevelopment is an incredibly successful project and a great example in stakeholder collaboration. It involved detailed input from hospital and department representatives enabling the effective management of 70 separately staged handovers."

Liverpool Hospital General Manager Anthony Schembri said the award was well deserved, and illustrates the pride all involved in the project had while undertaking the redevelopment.

"Lend Lease as Managing Contractor, Capital Insight Project Managers, and Health Infrastructure showed fantastic commitment and dedication towards reaching the goal of improving the range and quality of medical treatment and services to Sydney's south west," Anthony Schembri said.

"Winning this award is proof that the South Western Sydney Local Health District is committed to delivering high quality healthcare and providing the growing community with efficient and sustainable services," he said.