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Liverpool Hospital donates nerve conduction machine to Nigeria

The West African nation of Nigeria is set to receive a nerve conduction study machine thanks to doctors at Liverpool Hospital.

Neurologists use the machine to conduct tests that determine how well a patient's nerves are functioning and whether there is any nerve damage.

Clinical Director, Complex Care and Internal Medicine, South Western Sydney Local Health District, Dr Alan McDougall, said the machine has been used in Liverpool Hospital and would be refurbished before it was donated.

"These machines are few and far between in Nigeria so we are excited to be able to provide clinicians there with this highly specialised piece of equipment," Dr McDougall said.

"One of our visiting medical officers, Dr Adeniyi Borire, is from Nigeria and will take the machine over with him and will ensure the doctors there are well trained in how to use it."

Dr McDougall said the machine will be refurbished with the support of Mr Marnix van Bruggen, Sales Manager at Neurophysiology for Natus Neurology.

"This machine will make a big difference for patients in Nigeria with nerve damage who have struggled to access proper diagnosis and treatment," he said.

"We're grateful to be able to help our Nigerian colleagues and we hope the machine will benefit as many patients as possible in the years to come."

The NSW Government has invested \$740 million to redevelop Liverpool Hospital and transform it into an academic, health and research precinct.

The redevelopment will include a comprehensive, integrated cancer therapy centre and new maternity and neonatal intensive care units along with improved diagnostic and outpatient services and research facilities.

The hospital has also invested \$1.2 million to boost interventional neuro radiology services in the past two years.