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First patient welcomed in new children's unit

Campbelltown Hospital's new and expanded children's unit, a key feature of the \$632 million stage two redevelopment, has welcomed its first patient, 14-month old Lincoln Walsh.

Lincoln settled quickly into his spacious new room and was instantly fascinated with artist Erica Seccombe's murals, which celebrate an array of local native flora and fauna, featured on walls throughout the unit.

Mum Susan Walsh said her family was pleased with the care Lincoln received in the new purpose-built unit, after he and his twin brother Hunter were born at the hospital and spent time in its special care nursery.

"We have received such wonderful care at Campbelltown Hospital. The staff are fantastic and we are so grateful," Susan said.

"The new children's ward is amazing and welcoming. It is filled with natural light, has incredible views from our window and the room is comfortable and spacious.

"Lincoln loves the artwork on the walls. It is beautiful and is such a great feature for the children."

Camden and Campbelltown Hospitals General Manager Grant Isedale said a range of children's services had moved into the new 12-storey building - the centrepiece of the hospital's redevelopment.

"Our children's unit, children's ambulatory care and children's allied health clinic have moved into the new building, complementing the new children's Emergency Department area and dedicated children's waiting space," Mr Isedale said.

"We are looking forward to caring for the region's children in this wonderful new facility for many years to come."

The new unit includes a mix of single and double rooms, many including overnight sleep facilities for parents and carers.

The children's allied health clinic features a dedicated gym with specialised equipment for assessment and observation.

Other key features of Campbelltown Hospital's redevelopment include state-of-the-art operating theatres and intensive care unit, a larger emergency department with more treatment spaces and centrally located modern mental health units.