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MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR BOOST FOR THE TWEED'S NEXT GENERATION OF HEALTH WORKERS

The Tweed's health care sector will benefit from a multi-million-dollar NSW Government investment into dedicated training facilities at Tweed Valley Hospital.

Today it was announced that a \$2.5 million investment will contribute to state-of-the-art training and research facilities catering to frontline health services. This will allow students and clinicians to further develop their skills locally, and increase our capacity to provide outstanding, patient-centred care to the Tweed community.

This is a critical first step in establishing an integrated training model that will deliver education of the highest quality to regional health care workers.

The investment will see an enhanced TAFE NSW presence at the Tweed Valley Hospital's Health Hub via an integrated clinical training and research space. The space will host multiple educational institutions working together to deliver the highest quality health education.

The investment will enable the Northern NSW Local Health District to expand collaborative opportunities with education partners that address local health workforce and community needs. The outcome will be multidisciplinary training that develops the region's health workforce in high-demand skill areas such as nursing, midwifery, medicine and allied health.

The investment is key to highly flexible education programs focused on advanced industry-based skills. This vital skilling infrastructure will be a critical tool to uplift and upskill all health care workers who share a common goal – delivering the best possible care for their patients.

The Health Hub will provide students and researchers with purpose-built education, training, simulation, and library facilities with direct access to clinical supervisors. It will open in late 2023.

Link to drone footage highlighting construction progress at the Tweed Valley Hospital development:
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1X2kSYir2Hg3rKNJX0jnCIBWqXIBmCHiO/view?usp=share_link
