

Investing in Northern Health

Tasmania’s health system is in a mess after a decade of Liberal neglect. The north of our state needs increased investment to ensure our public health system is equipped to meet increasing demand. A northern campus for the successful Health Education and Research Centre, 24/7 radiology and pathology services in the LGH, and ensuring the new renal unit at Kings Meadows is fit for purpose, will go a long way to improving health services in the north.

Health Education and Research Centre - Northern Campus

The highly successful southern Health Education and Research Centre (HERC) offers a full range of courses in nursing, midwifery, aged care and community services.

There is increasing demand for qualified nurses and care workers in the north. A Northern Campus is estimated to train over 1,000 nurses and care workers annually.¹

The Greens will fight for investment in a northern campus for the Health Education and Research Centre.

24/7 LGH Radiology and Pathology

Pathology and radiology services at the Launceston General Hospital are not available 24/7, causing delays in patient care and discharge.

Ensuring critical services are always accessible will improve patient outcomes and contribute to a reduction in bed-block.

¹ Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation (Tasmanian Branch), [2025 Tasmanian State Election: ANMF Key Asks and updates](#), 2025.

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Expanded Renal Unit

The proposed new renal unit in Kings Meadows is only planned to increase capacity by three dialysis chairs (for a total of 18). This is insufficient to meet demand.^{2,3}

The Greens will fight for increased investment in the renal unit to expand it to 24 chairs.

Budget (\$m)

	(\$m)	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	Total
Northern HERC		19.50	19.50
24/7 LGH Services		3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	12.00
Renal Unit Chairs		4.00	4.00
Total		26.50	3.00	3.00	3.00	35.50

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² Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation (Tasmanian Branch), [2025 Tasmanian State Election: ANMF Key Asks and updates](#), 2025.

³ Seeder, B and Rhoades, A, ['Botched' renal project goes to tender as new dialysis site option opens](#), The Examiner, May 2025.