



**CANBERRA
REGION**

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▶ **INVESTING IN THE
CANBERRA REGION**

HEALTH, DISABILITY AGED CARE

HEALTH, DISABILITY AND AGED CARE SERVICES IN THE CANBERRA REGION

The Canberra Region has world-class health, disability and aged care service infrastructure. Currently undergoing a whole of Region National Disability Insurance Scheme roll-out, there are amazing growth and investment opportunities.

The dynamic and diverse Canberra Region, strategically located between Sydney and Melbourne, is poised to take off as a world leader in health, disability and aged-care service provision.

The 2016-17 Australian Capital Territory Government Budget invested a record \$1.6 billion to provide more doctors, more nurses and better health services for Canberra. The record investment in better health services for Canberra is almost one third of the entire ACT Budget.

ACT private sector employment in health accounts for 18,000 jobs and is growing at around 3.3 % per annum.

THE CANBERRA REGION
TAKES IN SOUTH EAST NSW
AND ACT, INCLUDING
SOUTH-WESTERN SLOPES,
SOUTHERN TABLELANDS,
NATION'S CAPITAL, SOUTH
COAST, SNOWY
MOUNTAINS, AND NSW HIGH
COUNTRY.



**The Canberra Region population will
reach 680,000 people by 2021 and over
750,000 by 2031**

AGED CARE

With an ageing population and a changing service structure nationally, demand for an innovative and supportive service sector will continue to grow. On the Far South Coast, it is estimated 40 per cent of the population will be aged 65 years or older by 2036. The ACT Government has committed \$2.1 million in the 2016-17 budget to expand palliative care services.

Additionally, the community support services sector is the fastest growing employment sector on the Far South Coast and the region boasts a highly educated and skilled workforce, with nearly 1 in 10 workers employed in the health care and social assistance industries.

This creates exciting investment opportunities in a market guaranteed to expand quickly. A major investment wave is now in play, along with the potential for rapid acceleration in acquisition and development growth.

Education Hubs at the Australian National University and University of Canberra offer highly sought after medical training and education

The ACT Government's 2016-17 Health budget is \$1.6 billion

The Canberra Region Cancer Centre brings together world class cancer treatment and services in one purpose built facility,

HEALTH

Canberra is the health service and research centre of the Canberra Region, with major infrastructure supporting the community. The region offers exciting opportunities for health industry investment and innovation, including:

- Tertiary hospital services through the Canberra Hospital and Calvary Hospital.
- The Southern NSW Local Health District, with hospitals in Batemans Bay, Cooma, Goulburn, Moruya and Yass.
- The forthcoming University of Canberra Public Hospital will be a teaching facility as well as provide a range of rehabilitation services, treat various mental health conditions as well as providing targeted services and care for older Canberrans.
- The new South East Regional Hospital in Bega: a \$171 million facility combining primary, community, ambulatory and acute health services onto one campus.
- A broad range of private primary health providers co-ordinated through the South East NSW and ACT Primary Health Networks.
- NSW Government has committed to spend more than \$5 billion to build and upgrade more than 60 hospital and health services across the state, including in Bowral, Cooma, Goulburn, Shellharbour and Yass.
- Planning under way for health service facility upgrades in Goulburn, Cooma, Yass and Braidwood.
- New \$6.75 Million Eurobodalla Cancer Care And Renal Units in Moruya
- The Canberra Region Cancer Centre is a world class healthcare facility that brings together cancer treatment and related services in one purpose built facility.

HEALTH

- The ACT Government is investing nearly \$2 billion in the Health Infrastructure Program - the single largest capital works project undertaken in the history of the Australian Capital Territory, involving the overhaul and expansion of all aspects of the ACT Health system.
- As part of the 2016-17 budget, the ACT government will also establish a clinical genomic sequencing service for \$7.3 million with \$909,000 spent in 2017.
- The ACT Health Budget delivers \$139 million for more nurses and doctors, with 170 new health staff over four years, including 22 more doctors, 91 more nurses and 34 more allied health professionals.
- With an increasingly ageing population demographic, The ACT Government has allocated \$2.1 million in 2016-17 to expand palliative care services, \$5 million for better acute stroke services and treatment access, and \$1.3 million to provide deep brain stimulation treatment for Parkinson's disease.
- The region is also a health education hub, with the Australian National University and University of Canberra offering highly sought medical training and education.

DISABILITY SERVICES

The National Disability Insurance Scheme launched in the ACT on 1 July 2014 and successfully rolled out to the rest of the Canberra Region on 1 July 2016. This once in a lifetime service reform is driving record levels of industry investment, workforce development and service demand. As an NDIS launch site, the ACT's disability and service sector will see \$342 million in Government investment out to 2019 to support the industry to grow as Government steps out of service delivery.

The NDIS is expected to create 25,000 new jobs in NSW and the NSW Government is working in partnership with the non-government sector to expand the capacity of the industry and workforce, allocating \$25 million for workforce growth and development within the NGO sector.

There is considerable opportunity for multi-service and disability providers to take advantage of the considerable industry investment in the region.

As traditional service funding models end and funds flow directly to clients there will be increased demand for services in the Canberra Region, and an increase in the range of services clients are seeking to purchase.

The disability service market will see an increasingly informed and motivated client group in the Canberra Region as the NDIS continues to roll-out, and this newly mobile and growing market creates promising opportunities for innovative service providers to establish high-quality services.

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