



Dear Colleague

What's new at Braemar?

Work begins on new hospital – on time, on budget

Mainzeal are the successful tenderers for the main construction contract. They have a wealth of experience in projects of a similar size and also in the very specialised health sector.

The new hospital will be 50% bigger than the existing hospital to meet the increasing needs of patients from throughout Waikato, and as far afield as Taranaki and Bay of Plenty.

Environmentally sustainable design (ESD) is being incorporated into the new hospital wherever possible.

As well as the latest clinical technology, the hospital will feature reduced energy consumption, use of environmentally friendly materials, high efficiency motors, solar panels and much more.

The new hospital will have a 'green star rating' of about 4.5, which is an excellent start. The hospital is being designed so that we can aim for the maximum 5 stars by adding further green initiatives with minimal cost and fuss.

Green Star NZ is a voluntary environmental rating system for buildings whose objectives include the recognition of environmental leadership and the reduction of environmental impacts.



Concept drawing of the new Braemar Hospital at 'The Nest' site

Work begun in early October with construction of the new driveway and associated road works ahead of the main contract. The new driveway will improve access to the site during construction.

New Trans Oesophageal Echo (TOE) Equipment Purchased

In support of our well established cardiac surgery service a new TOE machine has been recently purchased.

Trans Oesophageal Echocardiography (TOE)

For assessment of intra-operative cardiac function, including wall motion, ventricular function, and flow dynamics

Trans Thoracic Echocardiography (TTE)

Identify cardiac pathologies, including mitral and aortic valve function and pericardial fluid, quickly and effectively

Critical Care

Assess pericardial or pleural effusion and place lines more efficiently.

MRI Service at Tainui Street



Dr Kevin Gilbert has established an MRI service at Braemar Hospital, Tainui Street. Services include:

Musculoskeletal Imaging

MRI is the most accurate examination available for joints and the surrounding tendons, ligaments and cartilage. It is especially helpful for sports related injuries.

Spinal and Acoustic studies

MRI is a straightforward way of looking in detail inner ear, cranial and spinal nerves. Imaging the state of vertebrae and discs.

Cerebral Studies

MRI helps in the early detection and diagnosis of brain and nervous system disorders such as multiple sclerosis. It provides extremely sensitive and precise pictures of the brain.

Body Imaging

MRI complements ultrasound and CT providing extremely high soft tissue detail of internal organs. Pelvic studies offer sensitive and specific preoperative imaging.

Other regions

MRI studies can look at blood vessels and review of tumours in all parts of the body.

Visit www.mskimaging.co.nz for more details.

Why choose a Braemar hospital?

Choice and Flexibility

An ageing population, increasing demands and expectations, and the cost of new technologies provide challenges for both the private and public health sectors.

Medical and technological advancements have increased our ability to treat disease and injury. This has led to a greater expectation as to what should be achieved by the health sector. In the public sector the increase in complex surgery has come at the expense of lower cost surgery such as hernias and varicose veins, and the rationing system of waiting lists has led to these, and more complex procedures, being completed in the private sector.

Private healthcare offers choice and flexibility. It also offers access to some of the best Specialists in a timely manner without the restrictions of a waiting list.

At Braemar patients can be assured of a quality service at competitive rates and the very latest of modern medical technology.

Visit our website for more details: www.braemarhospital.co.nz

Quality care does cost less at Braemar hospitals.



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