

Cash for campus



Funding boosted: Federal Liberal candidate for Brand Phil Edman, WA Senator Mathias Cormann and Federal member for Canning Don Randall announce more than \$500,000 in funding for Peel Health Campus' children's ward.

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THE long-awaited paediatric ward at Peel Health Campus was given a big boost from Federal Government last Friday.

WA Senator Mathias Cormann announced \$502,700 in funding for the project, which will be used to fit out the new 12-bed children's ward.

Peel Health Campus Foundation chief executive

Tony Solin said work on the ward would start early next year.

Building tenders will be sent out next month while the rest of funds for the \$3million project are raised.

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"This important announcement has come at a vital time in our short history, and means we have only \$300,000 to raise to complete the funding for this project," Mr Solin said.

"The rooms currently being used for children in the Peel area are designed for adult care and do not offer children the safe and monitored environment they need," Senator Cormann said.

The Senator congratulated the foundation for their work in securing Federal, State and Local Government funding, as well as funds from the community groups, individuals, schools and many other

organisations. "This is a great example of the Peel community working together to benefit children and families in the Peel region," he said.

Senator Cormann also recognised the work of Federal member for Canning Don Randall and Federal Liberal candidate for Brand Phil Edman.

Foundation chairman Arthur Marshall said the contribution allowed the foundation to see the "light at the end of the tunnel" after fundraising for three years.

The funding was provided under the Regional Partnerships Program and will be used for the paediatric furniture and equipment.