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Leighton part of Northern Beaches Hospital delivery

Thiess, a Leighton Holdings' company, has been selected by Healthscope Limited (Healthscope), as the design and construct contractor for the new Northern Beaches Hospital in Frenchs Forest, Sydney.

Healthscope has been selected by the New South Wales Government as the preferred tenderer to design, construct, operate and maintain the new hospital. The Northern Beaches Hospital will be a modern, nine storey facility containing 488 beds, 1,400 car spaces and a helipad.

Thiess will design and construct the project and then maintain the physical facility.

The design includes:

- a 50-space emergency department
- 14 operating theatres and six surgical suites
- state-of-the-art intensive care and critical care units
- a modern inpatient mental health facility.

The final contractual close with Healthscope is expected to be completed by the end of this year. Preparatory activities are underway on the site, with construction due to begin in early 2015. The new hospital is set to open in 2018.

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