



Bundaberg Hospital and Health Services

Alan Corbett

3. Will the new Bundaberg hospital be a level 5 hospital, and if so, can you please state what additional level five services will be available in the new hospital that make it different from the services currently available at the Bundaberg Base Hospital.

Please note, this question does not pertain to features such as the helipad, car park, additional beds, operating theatres, or the number of floors etc - the question is specifically about the specialist services and treatments available to patients, so they will no longer be required to travel to Brisbane.

Both major parties have promised a level 5 hospital.

4. If the new Bundaberg hospital will not be a level 5 hospital, can you please state why not?

My understanding is that it will be a level 5 in certain areas but not in others unless qualified staff are found and accomodation provided.

5. Could the candidates please clarify their position on whether or not there will be a fully staffed 24/7 Cardiac Catheter Lab at the new hospital when it opens in 2027?

This is not my decision.

6. It has been declared the new hospital will be open in 2027 with the need for 500 new staff mostly university trained. Yet there appears to have been no relevant up take of students. What have you done or will do to ensure staff levels will be met?

This is not a decision for me to take. However if there was value in me asking pertinent questions about staffing where possible I would do it.

7. Much has been said about the incompetence and failure of the CEO and Board of the Bundaberg Hospital. If you form Government or are part of a balance of power, will you sack the CEO and Board?

As a independent I have no power in this decision.

8. What is your position on the current local Women's Health Services, in particular how it is currently funded?

I am not aware of the detail but again as a representative I will listen, evaluate and act.

9. What is your position on workplace health and safety for our frontline services workers and nurses to patient ratios?

I will be open to discussions with those on the front line. Their safety is paramount.



10. What is your position on Voluntary Assisted Dying, and will you work to keep the current legislation in place should you be elected?

I support it and any would consider any improvements recommended by the expert panel which overseas its use.

11. When Steven Miles was Health Minister, he was on record stating that the Termination of Pregnancy Bill, which he introduced, would not result in more late-term abortions. However, Queensland Health's own Perinatal Data indicates that in 2022, of the 321 late-term terminations, a disturbing 50 babies were born alive and left to die without assistance or pain relief. How, as a local candidate do you propose to address this situation?

Get the facts first but the notion of a child not receiving appropriate medical care at any point is not acceptable to me.

12. What is your position on the current termination of pregnancy legislation?

I support the current legislation.

Bree Watson

Only the LNP will deliver a new Level 5 Hospital in Bundaberg.

Sadly, it's already been four years since the new hospital was promised by Labor, but not even a concrete slab has been poured.

Our hospital will deliver 121 new overnight beds, larger Emergency Department, new operating rooms, teaching, training and research spaces and more diagnostic services.

Labor can't be trusted to heal the Queensland Health Crisis. They don't have the solutions needed.

The LNP has the Right Plan for easier access to health services, including more resources, better triaging, releasing data in real-time and putting doctors and nurses back in charge to improve patient care.

The LNP will:

- Drive-down ambulance ramping and healthcare waitlists;
- Provide more healthcare professionals through retention and attraction;
- Build hospitals on-time and on-budget;
- Deliver better access to health services in regional Queensland

For further information:

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