

Investment Priority: LABORATORY

Answers delivered behind the scenes

The GBGH Laboratory team is highly engaged, with a focus on delivering high quality results, as proven by their successful compliance with more than 99% of the 2,000 requirements during a recent Accreditation survey.

As laboratory technology has evolved, the equipment has become bigger and more powerful, providing faster and higher quality results for patients in our hospital. Unfortunately, the physical space for our laboratory – which is the original layout from 1976 – is in desperate need of updating to accommodate all the new technology, and to ensure we continue to meet infection control and safety standards.

A priority project in the next two years, the key aspects of the renovation include:

- Addition of staff access windows for blood bank and specimen collection
- New layout, prioritizing efficiency and allowing for future growth
- Replacement flooring to address peeling and tripping hazards
- Impermeable benchtops, to replace compromised seams and wear that pose an infection control concern
- Improved ventilation and temperature monitoring as equipment is all calibrated to work within a very specific atmosphere and temperature range
- Fresh paint and millwork to improve aesthetics and provide a better work environment



Estimated cost (community share): \$1–2 million