

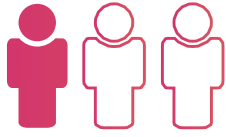


**The Government's  
\$63 million commitment  
to deliver radiation  
therapy for regional  
Australians.**

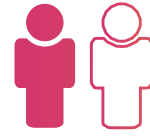
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## THE PROBLEM



**Only 1 in 3** Australian cancer patients today receive radiation therapy



That number should be **1 in 2** in line with clinical evidence and guidelines.

In Australia radiation therapy is underused in the fight against cancer. Distance from a treatment centre is one of the biggest contributors to this problem.

What a lack of radiation therapy means for patients:

- ✘ Lower survival rates
- ✘ Long distance travel
- ✘ Avoidable surgeries
- ✘ Weeks away from home

## THE SOLUTION

In 2019, the Federal Government announced \$63 million to develop radiation therapy treatment centres in 13 locations across regional Australia.

This is a significant win for cancer patients and medical professionals in those regional communities. In the future, they will have access to a treatment that is:

- ✓ Highly effective and proven
- ✓ Vital for relieving pain and bleeding caused by cancer
- ✓ Less invasive and expensive than surgery
- ✓ Close to home, family and friends.

## SPREAD THE WORD

While planning and construction is underway, let's spread the word about radiation therapy and ensure more Australians receive treatment.



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