

## Mildura Base Hospital project 2/19/1999

Ramsay Health Care and Lend Lease Preferred Tender for  
New Mildura Public Hospital

A consortium made up of Australian owned companies Ramsay Health Care Limited and Lend Lease Property Services, today welcomed the Victorian Government's announcement that it had been selected as the preferred tenderer for the contract to build, own and operate the new public hospital at Mildura in north western Victoria.

Ramsay Health Care's Managing Director Pat Grier said today that the company was looking forward to providing free, accessible, high quality public health services to the people of Sunraysia.

"We will be seeking to work in partnership with other health care providers to meet the health care needs of the community. Working in partnership with other groups is one of Ramsay's key strengths and something that we think sets us apart," Mr Grier said.

"We will be providing a purpose-built facility which takes into account the unique needs of a rural community like Sunraysia and also includes the needs of special groups including women and children, people from non English speaking backgrounds and Aboriginal people," Mr Grier said.

"We are looking forward to building a hospital that should be fully operational towards the end of 2000."

Lend Lease Property Services said Ramsay Health Care will provide the Sunraysia community with a brand new purpose-designed and built, state-of-the-art hospital building and health facilities.

"We will be presenting the people of Sunraysia with a hospital building that they can be proud of. We have designed and constructed more than 90 hospitals around Australia and will use this experience to make sure the process is as smooth as possible," said Peter Hughes, Lend Lease Property Services, General Manager – Specialist Health Division.

Ramsay Health Care's consortium included financial advisers BT Alex.Brown, financiers Toronto Dominion Australia Limited, architects Bates Smart and solicitors Blake Dawson Waldron.

Ramsay Health Care is one of Australia's largest private hospital operators with 13 hospitals located in NSW, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia and Western Australia with more than 1700 beds. Three of these hospitals are rural medical/surgical hospitals.

Ramsay Health Care is Australian owned and operated.

Lend Lease Property Services is a subsidiary of the Lend Lease Corporation and, since its formation in the early 1950s, has undertaken over seven thousand property development projects in conjunction with the Lend Lease Group.

Lend Lease Property Services specialist Health Division has an extensive track record in delivering key health sector projects.

Recent and current major projects include Stages 1 and 2 of the new Royal Childrens Hospital in Brisbane and the St Vincent's Clinic/Hospital in Sydney, and in Victoria, the Box Hill Private Hospital, the LaTrobe Ambulatory Care Clinic and the Royal Womens' Hospital Redevelopment.

