# Overview of Healthy Policy Announcements

## Victorian State Election 2018

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### Election Platform

**Better Mental Health Care for Our Emergency Workers**

**Wednesday 12 September 2018**

Emergency workers will be able to access mental health support the moment they need it, with the introduction of provisional acceptance payments for mental health injuries under a re-elected Andrews Labor Government.

**Building a World Class Hospital for Frankston Families**

**Monday 10th September**

The $562 million project will transform Frankston Hospital with 120 new hospital beds, two new operating theatres and an additional 13 new emergency department beds as part of the 11 storey redevelopment. This will include three new operating theatres and an additional 14 new medical and surgical beds for recovery.

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**23 October 2018**

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## Liberals

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**Improving Accessible Public Health for All**

- Facilitate and incentivise GP visits to schools and medical services in poorly served areas.
- Establish health hubs, with integration of health centres, schools & other services.
- Focus on evidence-based prevention and early intervention throughout the health system.
- Effectively regulate to prevent over-serving and unscientific treatments.
- Expand and strengthen dental health services.

## Reason

**FAMILY VIOLENCE STRANGULATION LAWS**

**Sunday, 26 August 2018**

A Liberal Nationals Government will legislate to amend the Crimes Act to make non-fatal strangulation, choking and suffocation in a domestic setting a criminal offence punishable by up to 10 years jail.

**Massive Boost to Home and Community Care**

**Friday, 17 August 2018**

A Liberal Nationals Government will deliver a massive $175 million expansion of home and community care and support for Victorians with chronic disease and other conditions who can safely be treated outside hospital in the comfort of their own home and in their community.

**Voucher Program to Drive Innovation Under Matthew Guy**

**Thursday 4th October 2018**

The Liberal Nationals are committed to strengthening and diversifying the Victorian economy by facilitating up to $18 million in commercial investment through a new $9 million innovation voucher program.

**South East Stroke Ambulance to Save Lives**

**Wednesday 10 October 2018**

An elected Liberal Nationals Government will invest $6 million for a dedicated Stroke Ambulance based at Monash Medical Centre.

**Life Be in It 2.0**

**Monday 15th October 2018**

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| 5 New Children’s Emergency Departments  | 12 November 2018  
A re-elected Labor Government will commit $62.4 million to build five new dedicated children’s hospital emergency departments at The Northern Hospital, Geelong Hospital, Frankston Hospital and Casey Hospital.  
A Liberal Nationals Government will fund up to $40 million to provide for around an extra $25,000 subsidised car parks each year. This includes rolling out a concession eligibility policy and ensuring promotion and publicity of concessional rates.  
We will also freeze the maximum daily rate to stop any increases for the next two years. |
| IVF Subsidies  | 12 November 2018  
Labor has promised to spend $32 million subsidising IVF for Victorian families if the Andrews government is re-elected on November 24.  
| Goulburn Valley Health  | 12 November 2018  
The Coalition promised to complete the redevelopment of Goulburn Valley Health, at a cost of $21 million, including a residential mother and baby unit. The completion of stage two would be done within two terms if elected. |
| Building a Better Hospital for Melbourne’s Inner West  | Wednesday 24 October 2018  
A re-elected Labor Government will invest up to $1.5 billion to build a new 504 bed hospital at Footscray.  
A re-elected Labor Government will start construction in 2020 and the hospital will open in 2025. |
| Putting Farmers’ Health on the Agenda  | Wednesday 24 October 2018  
A re-elected Labor government will provide an extra $4 million over four years to support the National Centre for Farmer Health.  
| Pioneering Cure for Kids with Allergies  | Wednesday 24 October 2018  
A Liberal Nationals Government will invest $1.5 million to fund a world first Oral Immunotherapy Allergy Trials Program at Melbourne University if elected in November.  
| Liberal Nationals Commit to 95-95-95 United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS Target’s Years Early  | Wednesday 24 October 2018  
A Liberal Nationals Government will commit to the 2030 95-95-95 United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) target by 2025, while investing $5.6 m in rapid HIV testing.  
The large aims to have 95% of people living with HIV diagnosed, 95% of people diagnoses with HIV accessing treatment and 95% of people on HIV treatment having an undetectable viral load. |
| Labor Will Establish a Royal Commission into Mental Health  | Tuesday 23 October 2018  
A re-elected Labor Government will establish a Royal Commission into Mental Health that focuses on the quality and cost of care across the system. |
| Victorian Patient Transport Assistance Scheme  | Monday 22 October 2018  
An elected Liberal Nationals Government will increase VPTAS funding by $35.1 million to raise reimbursement rates for accommodation and mileage, provide funding for future population growth in our regional cities and towns and speed up claims processing times, improving the lives of the 30,000 Victorians who use the scheme. |
| Backing Our Paramedics to Keep Saving Lives  | Monday 22 October 2018  
A re-elected Labor Government will provide $109 million to - recruit 90 new paramedics - $25 million to upgrade and build new stations - 23 new vehicles on the road - Convert 15 single crew stations into dual crew stations in regional Victoria  
| Australian First – Over the Counter Pill  | Sunday 21 October 2018  
A Liberal Nationals Government will increase access to the contraceptive pill by making it available over the counter from a pharmacist. |
| Finishing What We Started: Stronger Nurse to Patient Ratios  |  
A re-elected Andrews Labor Government will recruit 1,100 new nurses and midwives.  
| Building a Better Hospital for Melbourne’s Inner West  |  
Existing services in Craigieburn, Cranbourne, Pakenham, Phillip Island, Sunbury and Torquay will be expanded to become community hospitals.  
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<td>The Coalition will provide $24 million to trial three new Mental Health hubs with multi-disciplinary teams including GPs, psychiatrists, addiction specialists and allied health professionals based at each centre.</td>
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<td>Australian first for pregnant mums with diabetes</td>
<td>A Liberal Nationals Government will ensure pregnant women living with Type 1 or Type 2 diabetes have access to a Continuous Glucose Monitor (CGM) while they are pregnant.</td>
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<td>20 November 2018</td>
<td>Liberal Nationals to publish Labor’s ‘secret’ hospital waitlist</td>
<td>A Liberal Nationals Government will introduce performance measurements known as Referral to Treatment (RTT) to give patients a genuine timeframe from when they get a referral from their GP to when they receive their active treatment.</td>
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