

## Australia bolsters cancer control research and policy

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**Cancer Council NSW and The University of Sydney have announced a joint venture to create The Daffodil Centre**

The University of Sydney and Cancer Council New South Wales (NSW) have formed The Daffodil Centre, which was officially opened by NSW Minister for Health and Medical Research Brad Hazzard, to bolster cancer control research and policy.

The Daffodil Centre's priority will be to provide timely and relevant evidence to state, national and international policy-makers to inform decisions in cancer control. The Daffodil Centre will help to clarify and quantify the best, evidence-based investments in all aspects of cancer control.

Minister Hazzard said The Daffodil Centre will play a key role in enhancing cancer research.

"This partnership presents an exciting opportunity for ongoing collaborative, multidisciplinary research to reduce the impact of cancer through primary prevention, screening, early detection, cancer treatment, care and survivorship."

The increased research capacity resulting from the partnership will mean new findings and discoveries will be more quickly and efficiently translated into tangible policy change, such as better prevention, early detection and care strategies – ultimately saving many more lives across NSW, Australia and globally.

Inaugural director of The Daffodil Centre, Professor [Karen Canfell](#) says that the research opportunities presented by the centre will help reduce the impact of cancer in Australia.

*Image Caption- Launching the Daffodil Centre (L-R): Pro Vice-Chancellor and Dean, Faculty of Medicine and Health Professor Robyn Ward; Chancellor Belinda Hutchinson; Cancer Council NSW Chair Mark Philips; Minister Brad Hazzard; Vice-Chancellor and Principal Professor Stephen Garton; Cancer Council NSW CEO Jeff Mitchell; at the University of Sydney on 30 March.*