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## New medical centre opens its doors

After years of planning and months of building, Clifton's new medical centre is completed with first patients being treated in the new facility on Monday.

Clifton Community Health Services general manager, Brad Jones, said the new facility was now fully functioning.

"We have had no problems with the building or the systems so far," Mr Jones said.

"The building is very well constructed and should last a long time."

One of the centre's main general practitioners, Francisco Rodriguez-Letters was also pleased with the layout from a doctor's perspective.

"Everyone has put so much effort into the building and it has paid off," Dr Rodriguez-Letters said.

"Everything really works well."

With six doctors working a combination of full-time and part-time hours, the previous medical centre did not have enough consultation rooms to accommodate the amount of doctors and patients.

"We have four consultation rooms, two allied health rooms and two treatment bays which is a lot more than before," Dr Rodriguez-Letters said.

"The process was a lot quicker than others I have experienced."

"I actually bet Tammy [medical centre manager Tammy Dickenson] \$20 that the building wouldn't be completed until mid next year."

"I wasn't happy about giving her the money but it is a good thing for the hospital and previous medical centre to have the place built so quickly."

Clifton Co-op Hospital board member and one of the first patients to be seen at the new medical centre, Rob Imoff, was also praising the finished product.

"It has been a long time coming," Mr Imoff said.

"Around seven years since the facility was first conceived, I think."

"We are pleased the centre's planning has finally



General manager of Clifton Community Health Services, Brad Jones, Clifton Medical Centre manager, Tammy Dickson, Dr Francisco Rodriguez-Letters and board member of the Clifton Co-op Hospital, Rob Imoff look over one of the consulting rooms in the new medical centre.



Dr Francisco Rodriguez-Letters treats Rob Imoff in one of the four consultation rooms in Clifton's new medical centre.

come to fruition and we are very proud of the outcome."

Other than the added rooms the new centre will offer a new waiting room to accommodate between 35 and 40 people,

one tele-health room and substantial parking facilities.

Mr Jones also said rooms can be used interchangeably for different purposes if needed.